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BANKERS AND DEALERS IN GOVERNMENT SECURITIES.

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The remarkable success which attended our negotiation of the loans of the CENTRAL PACIFIC RAILROAD COMPANY and the WESTERN PACIFIC RAILROAD COMPANY, and the popularity and great value which these loans have maintained in the market, leads us to think that the First Mortgage Bonds of a thoroughly constructed and honestly managed Railroad are properly recognized and really taken as the most suitable, safe, and advantageous form of investment, yielding a non-fluctuating income than can be derived from Government Bonds, and probably to take their place.

Assured that, on the attention and negotiation of our agent (Mr. Fisk) being, we are meeting a great public want, and rendering a valuable public service, both to the borrowed Companies to their great national works of internal improvement whose business must mainly determine their credits and to the use of Capital and the confidence of investors—we now offer with special satisfaction, the

FIRST MORTGAGE BONDS

OF THE

Chesapeake and Ohio Railroad Company,

THE CHESAPEAKE AND OHIO RAILROAD, connecting the Atlantic coast and the magnificent harbors of the Chesapeake Bay with the Ohio River as a point of valuable navigation, will, thus, with the entire railroad system and water transportation of the great West and Southwest, FORMS THE ADDITIONAL EAST AND WEST TRUNK LINE, so imperatively demanded for the accommodation of the immense and rapidly growing transportation between the Atlantic seaboard and European the one hand and the great producing regions of the Ohio and Mississippi Valleys on the other.

THE IMPORTANCE OF THIS ROAD AS A NEW OUTLET FROM THE WEST TO THE SEA magnifies it into one of national consequence, and insures to it an extensive through traffic from the day of its completion; while, in the development of the extensive agricultural and mineral resources of Virginia and West Virginia, it possesses, along its own line, the elements of a large and profitable local business.

Thus the great interests, both general and local, which demand the completion of the CHESAPEAKE AND OHIO RAILROAD to the Ohio River, afford the surest guarantee of its success and value, and

Render it the Most Important and Substantial Railroad Enterprise now in Progress in this Country.

The superiority as an East and West route, and the prospect of an immense and profitable trade awaiting the completion, have drawn to it the attention and co-operation of prominent capitalists and railroad men of this City, of sound judgment and known integrity, whose connection with it, together with that of eminent citizens and business men of Virginia and West Virginia, assures an energetic, honorable and economical management.

The Road is completed and in operation from Tidewater to the celebrated White Sulphur Springs of West Virginia, 122 miles, and there remain but 320 miles (not partially contracted) to be completed, to carry it to the proposed terminus on the Ohio River, at or near the mouth of the Big Sandy River, 120 miles above Cincinnati and 220 miles below Pittsburg.

Lines are now projected or in progress through Ohio and Kentucky to this point, which will connect the Chesapeake and Ohio with the Entire Railroad Systems of the West and Southwest, and with the Pacific Railroad.

Its valuable franchise and superior advantages will place the CHESAPEAKE AND OHIO RAILROAD COMPANY among the richest and most powerful and trustworthy corporations of the country;

And there Exists a Present Value, in Completed Road and Work Done, Equal to the Entire Amount of the Mortgage.

The details of the Loan have been arranged with special reference of the wants of all classes of investors, and combine the various features of convenience, safety and protection against loss or fraud.

The Bonds are in denominations of

$1,000, $500 and $100.

They will be issued as Coupon Bonds, payable to bearer, and may be held in that form; or

The Bond may be registered in the name of the owner, with the coupons remaining payable to bearer attached, the principal being then transferable only on the books of the Company, unless reassigned to bearer; or

The coupons may be detached and canceled, the Bond made a PERMANENT REGISTERED BOND, transferable only on the books of the Company, and the interest made payable only to the registered owner or his attorney.

The three classes OF BONDS will be known respectively as:

1. "Coupon Bonds payable to Bearer."
2. "Registered Bonds with Coupons attached."
3. "Registered Bonds with Coupons detached,"

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They have THIRTY YEARS to run from January 15, 1870, with interest at six per cent. per annum from Nov. 1, 1869. PRINCIPAL AND INTEREST PAYABLE IN GOLD IN THE CITY OF NEW-YORK.

The interest is payable in May and November, that it may take the place of that of the earlier issues of Five-Twenties, and suit the convenience of our friends who already hold Central and Western Pacific Bonds, with interest payable in January and July, and who may desire, in making additional investments, to have their interest receivable at different seasons of the year.

The Loan is secured by a mortgage upon the entire Line of Road from Richmond to the Ohio River, with the equipment and other property and appurtenances connected therewith.

A Sinking Fund of $100,000

PER ANNUM IS PROVIDED FOR THE REDEMPTION OF THE BONDS, TO TAKE EFFECT ONE YEAR AFTER THE COMPLETION OF THE ROAD.

The mortgage is for $15,000,000, of which $6,000,000 will be reserved and held in trust for the redemption of outstanding Bonds of the VIRGINIA CENTRAL RAILROAD COMPANY, now merged in the CHESAPEAKE AND OHIO.

Of the remaining $9,000,000 a sufficient amount will be sold to complete the Road to the Ohio River, perfect and improve the portion now in operation, and thoroughly equip the whole for a large and active traffic.

The present price is 90 and accrued interest.

A Loan so simply secured, so carefully guarded, and so certain hereafter to command a prominent place among the favorite securities in the markets, both of this country and Europe, will be at once appreciated and quickly absorbed.

Very respectfully,

FISK & HATCH,

Bankers.

P.S.—We have issued pamphlets containing full particulars, statistical details, maps, &c., which will be furnished upon application.

We buy and sell Government Bonds, and receive the accounts of Banks, Bankers, Corporations and others, subject to check at sight, and allow interest on daily balances.

TELEGRAMS.

M. Ollivier and His Friends in the French Chamber.

Threatened Breach of the Friendly Relations.

Almost a Vote of Want of Confidence.

The London Times in the Character of Mentor.

ALARMING ILLNESS OF JOHN BRIGHT.

EUROPE.

A Remarkable Scene in the French Chamber—A Government Proposition to Guarantee Official Candidates—Almost a Vote of Non-Confidence—An Anniversary of the Republic—Sentence of Vincenzo.

PARIS, Feb. 24.—There was a stormy scene in the Corps Legislatif to-day. M. OLLIVIER announced that the Government, in accordance with the liberal course it had marked out, proposed to abandon wholly the system of placing in the field and supporting official candidates for the Chambers. This met with great opposition from the Deputies of the "Right," who burst into loud cries of disapproval, and caused a scene of confusion which lasted many minutes. M. OLLIVIER, nevertheless, persisted in speaking. He declared that the Government would not separate itself from what had been well done during the past eighteen years; but it could not act contrary to its own antecedents; it could not present the spectacle of men arrived at power and disowning their principles and acts. M. OLLIVIER was continually interrupted while making this explanation, and it was only when he ceased speaking that order was restored. The Right immediately moved an order of the day upholding the system of official candidatures. A stormy discussion ensued. M. OLLIVIER asked that the order of the day be not made a vote of want of confidence. The Deputies of the "Left" declared that they must support the Minister because they were pledged to electoral freedom; but for no other reason. The question was then taken and the order of the day as moved by the "Right" was adopted by a vote of 137 against 84. Much agitation has been produced by the result, which is considered equivalent to a declaration of want of confidence in the Ministry.....The Duke of PRASLIN is about to marry Miss LILLY FORBES of New-York.... Many banquets are being held to-day in honor of the anniversary of the proclamation of a Republic in 1848....The probabilities of the appointment of M. PREVOST PARADOL Minister to Washington, are again questioned....The flow of bullion to the Bank of France continues. The amount on hand to-day is 2,900,000 francs greater that last week.....There was a grand ball at the Tuileries last evening. Many Americans were among the great crowd of people present.... The French Atlantic Telegraph Company at their last meeting declared a dividend of one and three-quarters per cent. for five months, being for the opening of the line for business on the 15th of August, 1869, to Jan. 15, 1870, the date of agreement with the Anglo-American, Atlantic and Newfoundland Companies....The action against GUSTAVE FLOURENS for having aided in the desertion of two soldiers, has been terminated. The prisoner did not appear in Court to answer the charge. He was sentenced to three years' imprisonment.

The Mordaunt Divorce Suit—The Loose Times Reading the Prince of Wales a Lecture—Health at Mr. Bright—The Underwriters and the City of Boston—Miscellaneous.

LONDON, Feb. 24.—In the Mordaunt divorce case to-day, the counsel on both sides made their closing arguments. To-morrow the Judge will deliver the charge, and give the case to the jury....The *Times* to-day has an editorial article on the scene in the Courtroom yesterday at the trial of the Lady Mordaunt divorce case. The *Times* says the error of the Prince of WALES is due to the carelessness of his reputation and heedlessness in the matter of personal intimacies which are forbidden to the royalty. Prince ALBERT'S example was faultless, and the Prince of WALES will learn from it, and exemplify a life free even from the semblance of levity....The *Times* also has an editorial on the subject of the recent decision by the Supreme Court of the United States in the matter of the legal tenders, asserting that that decision "has restored English confidence in American justice."....The underwriters are charging fifty per cent. premium on the missing steamer *City of Boston*.... The condition of Mr. BRIGHT'S health creates deep anxiety....The elections at Waterford and Nottingham are attended with scenes of violent excitement. In both places disturbances have occurred, and persons have been roughly treated....The weekly report of the Bank of England shows an increase of $125,000 in bullion since last report....The House of Lords discussed for a short time the bill for the regulation of hours of labor....In the House of Commons the bill for the abolition of compulsory pilotage, introduced on the first day of the session, passed to a second reading, and was referred to a select Committee. The subject of reform in the War Office came up and was discussed with some bitterness....Mr. GLADSTONE'S Land Reform bill is not well received in Ireland, and its unpopularity is increasing....The steamers of the North German Lloyd (New-York and Bremen line) will hereafter discharge at the Southampton docks instead of simply calling at Cowes.

FLORENCE, Feb. 24.—Commander CORD (?) has been appointed to succeed M. CERRUTI as Minister of Italy at Washington.

The Remains of Mr. Burlingame—Cause of His Death—The Chinese Mission.

ST. PETERSBURG, Feb. 24.—The body of the late Hon. ANSON BURLINGAME will be taken charge of by Mr. CURTIN, the American Minister, and the members of the Chinese Mission, who will see to the embalming of the remains. The body will lie in state at the American Legation for the proper time, and will then be sent to the United States in charge of representatives of the United States and China. The cause of Mr. BURLINGAME'S death was a severe cold, upon which a consecutive chill supervened, terminating his life in a few days.—The negotiations with the Czar will be conducted by the Chinese Embassy, and when completed the diplomatists will return to China.

CHINA.

Dispatches from Admiral Rowan—An Extraordinary Massacre of Missionaries by the Chinese.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 24.—Rear-Admiral ROWAN, commanding the Asiatic Squadron, reports to the Navy Department, under date of Hong Kong, Jan. 14, satisfactory condition of affairs on that station, so far as American interests are concerned. Peace and quietness appear to be the rule, with an occasional exception, such as the depredations of pirates on the coasting junks and other petty attacks on the smaller boats, and the murder of a Russian navy and then. The new French Admiral had left Hong Kong with his squadron for the purpose of demanding satisfaction for the murder of a French Catholic missionary by Chinese in central. The expedition had reached the mouth of the Nonnang River at last accounts. There are in port at Hong Kong Italian, French and American corvettes.

SANDWICH ISLANDS.

The American Consulate—Wreck of the Revenue Cutter Kalorama—Earthquakes.

SAN FRANCISCO, Feb. 23.—Honolulu dates of Feb. 9 have been received. The seizing of the Consular flag of America was witnessed by the officers of the American frigate Dacotah, the members of the island Cabinet, all the Foreign Ministers, and the entire Consular Corps. The missionary packet Morning Star was wrecked on Ebonza Island Oct. 12. She is a total loss. Her passengers, among whom were Rev. J. F. PATES, G. B. SNOW, A. A. CURRIER and family, were saved and taken to Honolulu by the British brig *Amelia Porter*. There have been several severe shocks of earthquake on the island of Hawaii. The summit of the volcano Mauna Loa is obscured in smoke, indicating that the fires in the crater are again active. The Board of Immigration have sent an agent to China to promote immigration of the Chinese to the islands.

PACIFIC COAST.

Improved Prospects for Crops—Outrages Upon Chinamen.

SAN FRANCISCO, Cal., Feb. 23.—Another heavy rain storm occurred last night, making a total fall of the season of fifteen and a half inches. Abundant crops are almost certainly assured by the rains, and the people in the southern section of the state are jubilant over the improved prospects of the crops. There were numerous outrages on Chinamen yesterday. In one instance a fearful riot was imminent, but a heavy rain and a large Police force dispersed the mob. Several persons were injured while attempting to rescue the Chinese from danger.

THE WEST.

Murder in Colorado—A Fight with Indians in New-Mexico—Thirteen Killed—Details of the Stage Coach Battle.

DENVER, Col., Feb. 23.—E. D. KINNEY and JOHN H. WELLS, returning from Big Thompson, overtook BILL DUBOIS, a bad character, twenty miles from Burlington. After a few words Dubois drew a revolver and fired several shots, killing Mr. KINNEY instantly, and escaped to the mountains. Citizens have started in pursuit.

SANTA FE, New-Mexico, Feb. 22.—The *Post's* Las Mesilla correspondent reports that Colonel BERNARD, with detachments of the First and Eighth United States Cavalry, had a series of running fights with the Indians in the Dragoon Mountains, in Arizona, on the 26th of January. Thirteen Indians were killed and two were taken prisoners. The Indian camp and a large amount of material were destroyed. The bar of gold, which Colonel J. P. Stone had with him when he was killed and the mails robbed, was found in the camp.

DENVER, Col., Feb. 24.—Evening.—BILL DUBOIS, who shot E. D. KINNEY, near Burlington, yesterday, was overtaken by the party of citizens who started in pursuit of him, early this morning, in the mountains, fifteen miles from Burlington, and immediately shot. His body was pierced by thirty bullets.

CHICAGO, Feb. 24.—A Fort Sully letter, of Feb. 15, reports Little Swan, a Minneconga Sioux, just arrived at the Cheyenne Agency, near Fort Sully. He gives particulars of the desperate fight between 300 Sioux and Crow Indians, in the early part of January, above the mouth of the Yellowstone, on the Missouri. It appears that a party of twenty-nine Crows came on foot to steal horses from the Sioux and met two young Sioux, one of whom was killed and one wounded, who managed to escape and alarmed the Sioux village. The warriors mounted their horses and hurried to the point where the Crows had fortified themselves on Hart Butte, with loose stones, defying the Sioux, who charged several times unsuccessfully, losing five killed. The last attack was made near sundown, under the chief Spotted Eagle, who was killed. The Sioux managed to overpower the Crows, every one of whom was killed in a hand-to-hand encounter. The Sioux lost twelve killed on the ground, and five died the next day. Many more were dangerously wounded. Reports also say that the Ogallalahs have sent out war parties on a stealing expedition to the Platte.

Starvation of Indians at Lake Superior—Failure of Fish.

CHICAGO, Ill., Feb. 24.—Captain BROWN WALLIS, late of the British army, who arrived in St. Paul yesterday from Fort William, says the Indians throughout the region of Lake Superior are starving to death. Fish are not to be found in shallow water, and partridges and rain-deer were never known to be so scarce. He heard of several deaths from starvation. The Chief Warden of the Hudson Bay Company at Fort William had sent a train of provision to Dog Lake for the Indians, but many must die before relief reaches them. The country is covered with five feet of snow, and the weather is very cold.

FIRES.

Destruction of $1,000,000 in Galveston, Texas—List of the Sufferers.

GALVESTON, Texas, Feb. 24.—Fire last night destroyed a block on the north side of Strand, between Fremont and Twenty-second streets, and the opposite block on the south side of Strand. Many of the houses were of little value, but were filled with large stocks of goods. The loss is estimated at $1,000,000. The sufferers are Dargyn & Fahyn, William Barnes, the Phœnix Express, T. B. Stubbs, Curf Brothers, C. Barnett, J. C. Gorham & Co., Ralph Levy & Co., G. W. Grover, John D. Rogers & Co., W. H. Sellers, J. S. Sellers & Co., the Union Marine and Fire Insurance Company, E. F. Austin, B. & A. King, Burnett & Wall, Henry Sampson, the Mound City Mutual Insurance Company, Dewolf & Sullivan, D. G. Herbert, Shackelford & Brown, Smallwood & Clark, C. R. Bennessod, C. W. Hartley & Co., S. Jacobs & Co., T. W. House, E. S. Woods and L. R. Woods.

The Presbyterians—Adjournment of Interests.

CINCINNATI, Feb. 24.—The Joint Committee of the General Assemblies of the late Old and New School Presbyterian Churches, on the reconstruction of the Board of Church Extension, was in session here yesterday and to-day. In regard to the organization of a new Board of Church Erection, the Conference advise the organization under the special charter enjoyed by the New School Church, which will probably involve the location of the Board in New-York City.

Methodist Convention at Syracuse—Third Day.

SYRACUSE, Feb. 24.—The Business Committee reported the many applications to the State Committee, charged with disseminating and rendering practicable the principles adopted by the Convention on Wednesday. It was resolved that the Convention express no opinion concerning the desirability of lay delegations. A vote of thanks was passed to the citizens of Syracuse for the encouragement given to the Central Methodist University by the City of Syracuse by the contribution of $100,000. The special order, "spiritual life and church discipline," was reported upon by Rev. W. H. BOOTH, New-York. At the afternoon session a report from the Business Committee in favor of making further overtures for a union with the Methodist Church South was adopted. A report was adopted commendatory of the late ANSON G. BURLINGAME. Rev. Dr. PATE passed a eulogy on the deceased as a statesman who was an ardent Methodist.

POSTAL TELEGRAPHING.

A Hearing Before the Senate Postal Committee—Testimony of Mr. Orton, of the Western Union Company—The Systems of Europe and the United States Compared.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 24.—The Senate Committee on Post Offices, at their meeting this morning, heard Mr. ORTON, President of the Western Union Telegraph Company, in opposition to the Hubbard bill and to the report which that Committee recently made in its favor. The argument occupied the entire session of the Committee, and was not concluded on its adjournment, but is to be resumed at a special session on Saturday morning. Mr. ORTON first took up the statement in the Committee's report that in America the investment in telegraph lines is much greater in proportion to length, the rates higher and the lines less used than in most European countries. As to the investment in telegraph lines, inasmuch as all European lines are now owned and controlled by Governments, he claimed that it was impossible to estimate accurate comparisons, and further, that the money invested in telegraph property, either in Europe or America, had nothing to do with the question of rates, and was not, therefore, a subject which demanded investigation. He submitted statistics to prove that the rates are not higher in the United States, according to distance, than in any European countries, and much lower than in several. The average rate per message from Paris to the twenty-six principal cities in France is one and two-tenth mills per mile. The average rate from London to thirty-two principal cities in England, Scotland and Ireland is also about two and one-tenth mills per mile; the average rate from Berne to the capitals of the cantons in Switzerland, is two mills per mile; the average from Brussels to the nine principal cities in Belgium is two five-tenth mills per mile. Between the principal cities in Baden, the rate averages four mills per mile; between Berlin and the principal cities in North Germany, two eight-tenth mills per mile. In Italy, between Florence and the twenty principal cities, the average rate per message is three ninth-tenth mills per mile; from Amsterdam to the chief cities in Holland, three nine-tenth mills per mile. In the United States the average rate between New-York and thirty-seven principal cities, on a gold basis the same as applied in the countries above-named, the rate is one and one-tenth mills per mile, and from Washington to the capitals of all the States the average rate on a gold basis is two mills per mile. These rates are those which are charged for day service, but he called attention to the fact that since the 1st of January, between all stations east of the Mississippi River, messages were now transmitted at night for one half the day rates, so that business not requiring instant despatch could now be transmitted by telegraph at about one-half the average rates for like distances charged in any European country.

Mr. ORTON next considered the statement that the telegraph is less used in America than in most European countries, and submitted the following in support of his assertion, that the statement of the Committee was erroneous:

The population of France is about forty millions, which approximates very closely to the present population of the United States. The last official report of the French Telegraph Department is for the year 1867, and shows that the number of messages transmitted, including inland, international and transit, was three and a half millions, whereas, the Western Union Telegraph Company alone transmitted in the United States during the year more than twice this number, not including Press reports. He showed further that the whole number of messages transmitted in all the countries of Continental Europe with a population of more than two hundred millions, made in aggregate of only seven fifteen millions, for which there was received more than nine millions of dollars in gold, whereas, the Western Union Company alone transfered to the account of earlier for the Press alone, receiving therefor about $1,000,000 in currency.

He then took up the Hubbard bill and proceeded to show:

First—The injustice of incorporating a company by Congress, and conferring upon it free rights of way through all the States, for the purpose of competing with existing companies which were subject to pay in money or in service a large sum per annum for such privileges.

Second—That the passage of that bill would not protect the public against a monopoly, since it would be easy for the Western Union Company to take possession of the Hubbard Company, and thus confer position with it would be utterly impossible.

He then proceeded to apply the rates proposed in the bill to the present volume of business. The receipts of the Western Union Company for messages during the year 1869 were, say, $6,000,000, and the expenses $4,500,000. The same number of messages which would yield the above receipts would, under the Hubbard bill, have produced less than $3,000,000, or about $1,500,000 short of what his Company paid for salaries. He assumed that the Government could not perform this service at less expense than the Company, and therefore, if the bill made the telegraph business of the country, would have cost the Government, last year, a sum nearly equal to the deficit of the Post Office Department. He then spoke of the claim that the reduction in rates would largely increase the number of messages, and submitted statistics to show that in Belgium, Italy and Germany that an increase of fifty per cent. in the volume of business, without any increase in the cost of performing the service, would still leave a deficit of more than a million dollars. He then proceeded to consider the ability of the present system to carry the business of business, and submitted the following statistics:

In Europe there were about three hundred thousand miles of telegraph wire, over which there were transmitted, in 1869, between fifteen and sixteen millions of messages, or an average of fifty-three messages per mile of wire. The Western Union Company had a little over a hundred thousand miles of wire and transmitted, say, eight millions of messages or about seventy-six per mile of wire. Now is it reasonable to suppose that the number can be increased fifty per cent? During the previous year, as well as in late great editions, were made to the lines in order to accommodate the increase of business which, it was claimed, would follow the reduction. At the beginning of last there were in the United States four thousand miles of wire in operation, and on the first of January, 1869, there were nearly 6,000 miles, being an increase of fifteen per cent. in the number of miles of wire; while the total increase in the number of messages transmitted during the same period was but thirty-three per cent., and notwithstanding the liberal reduction in rates, it is asserted officially in the report upon the Swiss lines, that there was a time during the Summer of 1869, when the number of messages was found to be in excess of the facilities for transmitting them. In Belgium, it appears that from 1866 to 1868, there had been an increase of sixty-six per cent. in the number of miles of wire, while the increase in the number of messages during the same period had been fifty-six per cent. In Italy from 1867 to 1868 the miles of wire had been increased forty-five per cent., while the increase of messages transmitted was only twelve per cent. In France, during the ten years, the increase in the miles of wire had been twenty-nine per cent., and in the number of messages twenty-eight per cent. He claimed to have established the fact beyond question that any considerable increase in the volume of business must necessarily require an increase of facilities, the investment in which would be entitled to fair profits, and the operation of which would increase expenses, which, under the Hubbard plan, would fall upon the Post Office Department.

Mr. ORTON then took up the statement, made in the Committee's report, that the charges in this country were not uniform in different sections for the same distance; that they were higher South than West, and higher West than East, and proceeded to argue against the justice of charging rates high enough upon the large volume of business in one section of the country to enable another section to enjoy the same rates. He showed by the report of the Postmaster-General that the postal service in the Eastern States, including New-York, New-Jersey, Pennsylvania, Delaware, Maryland and District of Columbia, yielded an excess of receipts over expenditures of more than $9,000,000 during the last fiscal year, while the Central States and Territories north of the Ohio and including New-Mexico, Montana and Wyoming, cost $1,000,000 more than the receipts, and the States in the Southern division showed a deficit of more than $1,400,000. As his company was a private corporation, doing business for profit, with nothing in reserve on which to draw in case of loss, it could hardly be expected that they would undertake to perform in that portion of the country which costs the Government several millions annually for the postal service in excess of the receipts, the telegraph service at the same rate of tariff as in the section where the business of the Post Office and the telegraph were both transmitted at a profit. He concluded by submitting the following propositions:

Given cost to have the greatest rates for telegraph purposes, for no. 1, 2 and 3 messages, to be fixed upon the result at the expense of the Treasury. Nos. 1, 2, 3, in order that both these may be secured, viz., it will be necessary to materially reduce the rates of business. Now, if the profits upon about $1,000,000, equal to about one-seventh of our gross receipts, by our large Federal, State, municipal, and land business, enabled us to do the business which Government could not, relieve us from the burden we can make an average reduction of one-seventh of our present rates. If you have authority to give free right of way along railways in all the States to Mr. HUBBARD'S company, you can give it to mine. Do this, and we should be enabled to reduce another seventh without interfering with present profits. Then let Congress provide for a commission of three, with one from each section of our country and from abroad, on which man we shall be entitled to earn and divide annually to our stockholders ten per cent. We will then surrender to the Post Office Department the right we now have to take at Twenty-five cents for the sum so fast as the actual capital exceeds ten per cent. the surplus may be applied to the reduction of rates in such a manner as the Post Office Department shall direct. If the rates proposed by Mr. HUBBARD can even make the business self-supporting, they will at least be secured by the plan, of which all the facilities the Government can supply can be availed of to the fullest extent, but without incurring any expense or assuming any responsibility."

Miscellaneous Telegrams.

READING, Penn., Feb. 24.—EDWARD and DANIEL AGNEW, two bigamists, have been arrested here and committed to prison to answer the charge of adultery. They have wives in Philadelphia, and some two months since married two young girls named DOUGHERTY and CHIVERS.

THORNSTON, Feb. 24.—In St. George, Me., last night, a young man named WILLIAM JONES was fatally stabbed. He lived long enough to reach his home, and told his mother that EDWARD ANDREWS had stabbed him. The latter is now in custody in Thomaston.

BOSTON, Feb. 24.—The Methodist Church in East Weymouth was destroyed by fire yesterday afternoon. The loss is $15,000; insured for $7,500.

MILWAUKEE, Feb. 24.—The Board of Supervisors for the County of Milwaukee have tendered the new County House, to cost nearly $1,000,000, to the State for a Capitol house, provided the capital is moved to Milwaukee.

CLEVELAND, Ohio, Feb. 24.—The losses by the fire yesterday reach $60,000. The insurance is about $35,000.

PROVIDENCE, R. I., Feb. 24.—The body of Miss SUSIE A. KING, who died at Carolina Mills on Feb. 11, and remained so lifeless an appearance that burial has been deferred until this time, was this morning entombed in the family vault. All doubts of death having been removed.

PORT HENRY, N. Y., Feb. 24.—A portion of the roof to the old lead mines at Moriah fell yesterday, and two miners named MARTIN, an Englishman, and LYNCH, Irishman, were crushed under 300 tons of ore.

NEW-HAVEN, Feb. 24.—The funeral of the late Chief Justice HITCHCOCK took place from his residence, in this city, this afternoon.

BUFFALO, Feb. 24.—The wife of General J. H. SIMPSON, United States Engineer, and daughter of the late Commodore CHAMPLIN, died this morning.

BANGOR, Me., Feb. 24.—JOHN WARD and his wife were suffocated last night. They built a charcoal fire in their sleeping room, and were both found dead in the morning.

PORTLAND, Me., Feb. 24.—The Republicans to-night nominated a candidate for Mayor by the Crowford County system, resulting in BENJAMIN KINGSBURY, Jr., receiving the nomination by 3 majority. There were 800 ballots cast. Mr. KINGSBURY is the present Municipal Judge.

LOUISVILLE, KY., Feb. 24.—At a meeting of the Presidents of three of the freight lines leading from Louisville, the tariff was reduced from sixty to fifty cents on all fourth class fast freight. They also adopted a resolution to stand by these rates.

CHICAGO, Feb. 24.—Mr. W. F. STOREY, proprietor of the Chicago *Times*, was to-day publicly coowhed by LIDIA THOMPSON and PAULINE MARKHAM.

LIEDERKRANZ.

Carnival Hall of Eighteen Hundred and Seventy.

The Society of the Liederkranz celebrated, after its habitual fashion, the carnival of the present year. The record of the fact indicates in itself that a superb pageant was shown at the Academy of Music, and that the house was filled by as joyous a throng as ever gathered within its walls. Last evening's festivities were commenced at the usual hour, and in a wonted style of magnificence. The eastern hospitality of the Khedive, exhibited on the occasion of the opening of the Suez Canal, could scarcely have supplied his guests with a more brilliant night. Prepared for reminders of distant Egypt by a quaint order of dancing, bearing the shape of a Sphinx's head, a spectacular representation of the land of the Ptolemies was unfolded at the rising of the curtain. The descriptive writer in ordinary to the Liederkranz Society dwells on the scene with sufficient accuracy to make any word sketch of it, in competition to his own, open to a charge of plagiarism. "There," he tells us, "are the nuptials of Orient and Occident, united in eternal wedlock by the inauguration of the Suez Canal. Lo! what a scene greets our view! Are we in a fairy land? Have all the nations of the world met at a friendly rendezvous? What a motley crowd, blown together from all points of the compass! Some of the characters are quite familiar to us. Although they are accompanied by swarms of enormous locusts, noted for their insatiable voracity, which makes them a dreaded plague of Egypt and the committee room, these ladies distribute their business cards among the multitude. Halloo, ladies, did Wall-street prove to be too hot a place for your business enterprise? Here, our dollars are fluttering around you, and our Bears are not gallant enough to further bullying new comers, not even those in petticoats. Poor dear ones, let us look for a moment at your smoke list. Ah, we see! Mesdames Holwood and Hillefold are offering their services as negotiators for Sweet Canal Scrip, Crowell Block, Harem Safe Deposit Company Stock, Crocodile Egg-Hatching Company Stock, Desert Water Improvement Stock, &c., &c. Very sorry, ladies, our mutual friend, Prince ARTHUR, induced us at the Amphion Masquerade last week to invest all our spare funds in Amphion-Telegien-Magic-Bullets-Casing-Covered-Building Stock. Magnificent invention, these magic bullets. Hit every mark which lies beyond the reach of honest toil. Although these bullets are said to deceive and sometimes injure the marksman, yet we are expecting huge dividends—thousands of per cent. Hark! A blare of trumpets! Royalty approaches! First in line to our old friend Prince Carnival, who has taken upon himself the onerous duties of Grand Master of Ceremonies. A band of Jamaicay musicians fill the air with hideous uproar. Bow your heads into the dust, ye Israelites, here comes the Imam of the Kalifs—His Highness the Khedive, Salaam! Amid the vociferous cheers of the multitude and the deafening din of Turkish music. His Highness takes his seat on the throne. The distant boom of cannon is heard. Under a full head of steam the Imperial yacht L'Aigle, bearing Her Majesty, Empress Eugenie, glides swiftly through the placid waters of the Canal. A galley slave, broken loose from the bagnio, rushes upon the Empress. He thrusts a large lantern almost into the very face of Her Majesty, which turns pallid with fright. We recognize the vile assassin, Felice Orsini. He has dropped the fair Sovereign to these distant climes to wreak his vengeance upon the lovely partner of his bitterest enemy. Fortunately the maniac is apprehended before he can do any mischief. Her Majesty quickly composes herself, and receives the salutations of the Khedive, after which she occupies the seat of honor by the side of the Egyptian ruler. Another report of cannon. In quick succession the Imperial yacht of Austria, bearing His Majesty, the Austrian Emperor, and a German national corvette, with the future Emperor of Germany, heave in sight. The band strikes up the German national air, 'Where, oh where is the German's Fatherland?' Echo responds: 'Where?' Although this question is not satisfactorily answered, both the distinguished guests of the Khedive receive in turn the greetings of welcome on the part of their host. Presently an odd-looking individual approaches the throne of the Khedive, presenting a petition to the successor of the Kalifs. It is BRIGHAM YOUNG, fresh from Salt Lake City. The Pacific Railroad, with its crowds of Gentile passengers, have broken upon the peace of his domestic felicity. He solicits from the Viceroy an asylum for himself and his harem within Egyptian territory, where no railroad will disturb his sleep. His request is granted, and a tract of land in Upper Egypt, near the Mountains of the Moon, assigned to him. Now the impressive ceremonies of the blessing of the water of the canal, uniting Orient and Occident in the bonds of eternal wedlock, are enacted. At the close, amid the flourish of trumpets and the cheers of the multitude, a transparency is unveiled, bearing the features of FERDINAND DE LESSEPS, whose indomitable energy and perseverance have wrought this wonderful monument of human skill and power as an everlasting witness of the superiority of man's genius over brute creation." Here the curtain rises, and the scene is displayed to the gaze of the audience, who used the story as a libretto to the panorama of canvas and men, and it came to life to the dance. A Polonaise, which is would have delighted Lenz to look upon, opened the ball proper, and numerous dances followed. So the entertainment was not overlooked in the meritorious Prince Carnival, and all of the features of an agreeable reunion had a fair share of attention. Towards 4 o'clock the Committee-men doffed their Egyptian and Turkish costumes, the Odalisques trapped themselves in plain domestic wear, and Hamlet sought out from the pyramid of garments a crushed beaver hat. Fifteen minutes later the last carriage rolled off, and the closing grand celebration of the season was ended.

Masquerades of Other German Singing Societies.

Last evening the "Uhland-Bund" Society, Mr. AUGUSTUS SIEBENBRICHER, President and Mr. JULIUS LERCHE, musical director, had a masquerade at the Harmony Rooms, Bowery and 141 Bleecker-street, and so did the "Euphonia" Society, Mr. EDWARD MEYER, President, and Mr. HERMAN SCHERNY, musical director, at Dramatic Hall, Nos. 46 and 48 East Houston-street. Both balls were well attended, and nothing occurred to mar the pleasures at either place.

ALBANY.

Absentees—Hardenbergh's Canal Bill—The Quarrel Not Settled—Progress of a Swindle—Contested Seats—The Erie Bill—The Sectarian School Law, &c.

From Our Own Correspondent.

ALBANY, Thursday, Feb. 24, 1870.

The absentees are numerous to-day, particularly in the Assembly, which was not able to muster ninety votes on the third reading of bills. So far as this body is concerned, the recess will be practically extended till Monday next. There are only four or five absentees in the Senate, among whom is CREAMER, who is detained in New-York to assist GEORGE FLEMING in drafting the anti-Ring charter. This document, it is said, will be ready for introduction early next week. The Senate spent most of the session to-day in the discussion of Mr. HARDENBERGH'S bill to abolish the contract system on the canals, which had been made the special order. It was ordered to a third reading by a strict party vote, the Democrats having previously agreed in caucus to support it in a body. One of its sections empowers the Canal Board, whenever it shall see fit, to appoint an *undefined* number of policemen or "patrolmen," as they are called, along the line of the canals, with such compensation as the Board may choose to allow. Senator PARKER stated, during the debate, that this section would give the Canal Board absolute control of the Senate, by enabling them to appoint an army of "patrolmen" just before the State election to vote the Democratic ticket. It was no answer to this objection to the bill to say that the Canal Board would not do such a thing; they ought not to have the power to do it.

MEMORIAL FROM THE CITIZENS' ASSOCIATION.

The Lieutenant-Governor has received a memorial from the Citizens' Association of New-York in relation to the "reorganization of the local Government" of that City, but was unable to present it to-day owing to the special order (the Canal bill) consuming the entire session. The memorial urges the supreme necessity of a law to secure honest elections in the City of New-York as the first step towards municipal reform, and without which all schemes for "reorganizing the local Government" would be futile.

THE ERIE BILL.

Senator GERRY'S bill to abolish the law passed last year to perpetuate the rule of FISK, GOULD and Co. over the Erie Railroad, is still before the Railroad Committee, which is composed of GERRY, of New-York, as Chairman; HUBBARD, of Chenango; PERECK, of Brooklyn; BLOOD, of Saratoga, and MERRIT, of Saratoga. The alleged reason for delaying a report is that the friends of the law desire to be heard before the Committee. If the bill introduced into the Assembly last evening should pass, the Erie Ring would not care whether last year's law were abolished or not.

BOY BARMONIEN.

The report, current here last evening, that the quarrel between the Governor and the clique of recusant Democratic Senators, over the appointments, had been settled, is contradicted this morning, and authentic sources of information now represent the war as raging fiercer than ever. GERRY, NORTON and the rest deny most emphatically that they have "backed down" and agreed to confirm MCCOMBS; and those entitled to speak for the Governor deny with equal emphasis that he has backed down or has any intention of doing so. Republican Harbor Masters and Port Wardens can therefore count on a new lease of life.

PROGRESS OF A SWINDLE.

Among the bills read a third time and passed in the Assembly to-day was the swindling job to create a clerkship to the New-York "Board of Police Justices," with a salary of $6,000 a year. This bill was thoroughly exposed by Mr. WHITE in Committee of the Whole, and shown to be a barefaced fraud on the treasury—there being no necessity whatever for such a clerkship, as the Police Justices only meet as a "Board" once a year, and have heretofore hired a clerk to do their business for $300 per annum. The Police Justices have not wished for a clerk, and several of them have expressed their opposition to the bill. The object of the bill is said to be to furnish a snug berth for TIMOTHY CARPENTER, one of the members of the Assembly from New-York. He is ranked among the adherents of the "Ring," and as that clique is now playing the "honest" and "economical" dodge it would be interesting to know whether they approve of this petty swindle. It is due to truth to say that the bill could not have passed to-day had it not been for Republican votes, owing to the large number of absentees among the Democrats. It received 70 votes to 19 in the negative, and among the Republicans who voted for it were Alvord, Baker, Bolt, Bradford, Blossom, Butterfield, Flenagin, Gleason, Hull, Johnson, Kilham, Maddox, Miner, Ray, Selkreg, Stevenson, Sulper, Winans, Wood, Wright. All the Democrats present voted for it,

ITALY.

Political Topics—Two Events—Tuscan History—The Death of Leopold II.—The Season—End of Brigandage—News from Rome.

From Our Own Correspondent.

FLORENCE, Tuesday, Feb. 1, 1870.

There is less agitation of political topics just now than is usual at this season. The protracted vacation of Parliament leaves the public a long pause of expectation, and the newspapers are principally occupied with the discussion of questions of local and minor concern. What the new Ministry will be able to accomplish is still a matter of speculation, and doubters are as much as ever disposed to criticise in advance. To better the financial condition, reckoning is principally made upon possible economies; although the prospect does not seem to be very good that these will be large. The treasury has as many leaks as a cracked teakettle, and they cannot be stopped with a broad poultice. If a wise Ministry could be clothed for three or four years with absolute powers, the principal difficulty of Italy might possibly be overcome.

TWO EVENTS.

The Italians are looking forward to two events to take place, according to the published calendar, in 1870—both of consequence to this country, and one, at least, interesting to all the world. The one to interest everybody is the opening of the gallery under the Alps, and the other is a general exposition, at Turin, of the products of all Italy. For the latter, the Government lately in power promised assistance to the amount of six millions of francs. Notice has been given by the new Cabinet that such a sum cannot be furnished from the income of the State. The example of the United States is cited to show that for such enterprises a really courageous people depend upon themselves. Among people so energetic as the Piedmontese, in many respects so much like men of our own race, no doubt a way will be found for carrying out the project by a reliance upon the contributions of individuals. The scheme is a happy one, that of bringing into Italy to this festival of industry, crowds from the rest of the world at the time of the opening of this new door of communication in the wall of the Alps. Nearly ten years ago the first general exposition of the products of Italy was held in Florence, and whoever saw it was satisfied of the possibility of holding in this country an extensive, extremely varied and interesting show. The progress which has been made in the intervening period has added much to production, and furnished many new objects as proofs of increasing prosperity. The fact that industry is the only source of wealth is more recognized, and is gradually becoming a part of public education, of which these periodical expositions are the strongest proofs.

DEATH OF LEOPOLD II.

The death of the ex-Grand Duke LEOPOLD II., at Rome last week, reminds the Tuscans of one or two interesting passages in their recent history. In this Prince, of the house of HAPSBURG LORAINE, was, more than in any other, impersonated the Austrian house in Italy. Called to the Tuscan throne in 1824, at the age of 27, LEOPOLD was permitted to direct affairs until the general convulsion of 1848. Like so many other European Sovereigns, he gave his people a Constitution; but to be maintained only so long as the people had power enough to put a restraint upon the exercise of absolute authority. The same year LEOPOLD retired to Gaeta, and put himself under foreign protection. Restored to his throne by Austrian bayonets, in the following year, he followed the example of the general reaction, set aside the Constitution, to which he had sworn, and ruled with a mild despotism until 1859. In that year the new fortunes of Italy really began. The statesmanship of the Count DE CAVOUR and the convenience of the ruler of France, gave a happy direction, in Italy, to events. Before the battle of Solferino, LEOPOLD had opportunity to choose whether he would follow the fortunes of a foreign country or be true to that in which he had a claim to rule. But he fell into the error of forgetting that he was an Italian sovereign, carried away by the recollection that he was an Austrian Prince. I remember well the evening of the 27th of April, 1859, when, with his family, he hurried away from Florence. From Vienna he sent his son to be present with the enemies of Italy on the two great battle fields of the war. After the disastrous defeat he published a formal resignation of his claim to rule in Tuscany, naming his son FERDINAND as his successor, and even asking the Emperor NAPOLEON to thrust him in through the door left open by the peace of Villa Franca. But it was too late, for the people of Italy had wisely chosen, and were not to be turned back. Illusive hopes continued to be cherished until the new discomfiture experienced by Austria in 1866, when her last claim to hold a position in Italy was destroyed. LEOPOLD was true to the last to his political education, and it was fit that he should die at Rome, surrounded by the enemies of Italy and the persistent friends of the ancient system.

LEOPOLD II. was never a high ruler in his time, and in his private relations he bore a fair character, more subject to clerical influence than devoted to intelligent political studies. He was intellectually weak, and incapable of appreciating the noble destinies which liberal institutions are opening for this country. His name would soon pass from memory, associated with no great act of public beneficence; but it will be remembered with respect by the Tuscans, and that borne by the grandfather of the late Prince, who, by wise laws, did so much for the welfare of this Province, and obtained the title of "Leopold of glorious memory." LEOPOLD II. was the uncle of the present Sovereign of Italy; as the sister, MARIA THERESA, was the mother of VICTOR EMANUEL. I believe there has been no communication between uncle and nephew since the "usurpation;" the dissatisfied feeling taking the usual form of a family quarrel about who comes into possession of the estate.

THE SEASON.

The weather has been almost uniformly bad in Italy the present Winter, at least in the region of the two great centres of Florence and Rome. Travelers have not been fortunate, and have had a disagreeable experience. Cloud and wet, or cold blue northern winds, have formed the textures of the gloomy mantle in which the Peninsula has been wrapped. Let foreigners, who come here for the first time at this season, take care. If they give way to the illusions of song and romantic story, it may cost them dear. In the house and out of doors, in Italy, thick coverings of woolen are just as much needed as in countries in which the extremest degree of cold prevails. Shoes of a thickness fit for the worst weather of America or England, will not be found ill-suited to resist the trial of frigid damp or the subtle cold of the tramontana season in this northern part of the Peninsula. The floors of the houses are like a pavement of ice, against which no carpets are a sufficient shield. The winds from the snow-covered mountains have a quality like that of the atmosphere of the Arctic Circle. Let no one with delicate respiratory organs believe that north of Rome is climate favorable to such weaknesses can be found. And, of the two, I think it is worse in the house than out of doors. I do not know in all Italy a window constructed so as to keep out wind. The glass is fastened into the frame with screws, and rattles with every movement, while through the interstices the wind has full play.

At Naples they have not fared better the present Winter than in the north. The fountains are all frozen, and ice is everywhere. There an extreme reduction in the temperature causes most concern, on account of the orange plants, which contribute so much to the commerce of that region. An unusual degree of cold may strike the trees with sterility for several years.

END OF BRIGANDAGE.

General PALLAVICINI, who has had command of the military organization for the suppression of brigandage in the Southern Provinces, has given notice that the work is so far accomplished that after this the charge will be left with the regular Police, and the military command will be relinquished. Whether this Indian war is really ended we doubt, but certain it is that of late we have heard much less of the depredations of the outlaws of the Calabrian wilds, and many of the noted chiefs have been called to settle their last account.

NEWS FROM ROME.

Nothing comes from Rome of particular interest, except the evidences of increasing firmness in the Council. I am led to suppose that the Italians care far less for what is done by the Fathers in Council than do Catholics at a distance, more completely subject to the illusions of Rome. But even South American Bishops are of sufficiently enlightened intelligence to understand the condition of the world. One of them last week in his speech in the Council, which is described as among the most eloquent, deplored the sad state of Catholic countries, now left alone among Christian communities in which the slavery of human beings is obstinately maintained. This Prelate also advocated, as a remedy for many present evils, the return to the ancient mode of the election of Bishops by the clergy and people—a system wholly distasteful to modern Rome. ANGELICO.

CURRENT NOTES.

The Milwaukee brewers have made a reduction of $1 a barrel in the price of lager.

Prince Edward County, in the Province of Ontario, has no debt, no toll-gates, and no whisky, but it has good roads and light taxes.

Milwaukee is to have an Irish daily and weekly paper. The company has been chartered.

Troy is to have a new Jewish Synagogue, of brick, 75 feet long by 34 feet wide, and to cost $12,000.

A meeting was held in Detroit on Wednesday evening to organize a society for the prevention of cruelty to animals.

The City Council of Baltimore is taking steps to prevent trapeze performances in that city.

Boston shipowners are signing a petition asking Congress to abolish the laws allowing extra pay to seamen.

Mr. BURLINGAME, the Boston *Post* says, leaves a memory to be pressed only with myrtle.

The Rhode Island Democratic State Convention is to be held in Providence on Thursday, March 17, to nominate candidates for State officers.

The Tennessee colored men's Convention in Nashville, which assembled on Monday, contained about one hundred delegates, representing forty counties.

The Yale Navy have voted not to accept the proposition of Harvard to open the annual races to the whole University; therefore only the academical department can be represented in the crews next Summer.

JOHN NEAL says that out of 524 cases brought before the Superior Court of Maine in six terms, only ninety-nine went to a jury. That is, the people preferred the decision of a Judge in 425 cases.

Congressman SIDNEY CLARKE says he was not elected by the Legislature of Kansas and is not responsible to it for his official conduct, but on the adjournment of Congress he will make his report to the people, notwithstanding the "inquisitorial proceedings" at the State Capital.

The Sacramento *Union* states that a set of railway speculators are proposing to the California Legislature to pass a law to enable them to fasten a bonded debt of $1,400,000 on the County of San Bernardino, when the whole taxable property of San Bernardino is but $600,000.

A correspondent believes that many of the girls remain single only because they cannot find money and a brown-stone house, with a man attached as a coupon. Possibly the men remain single from the fear that the girls will "cut them off" with a shilling.

Eastern Florida congratulates itself upon its vigor, life and spirit (which, we presume, mean different things, although they seem about the same,) indicated by its rapid growth, by its large immigration and by the rapid increase in the value of real estate.

There is a boy in Vermont who has eleven grandparents living, and he proposes to give a party for them exclusively one of these days, although his five uncles and aunts, his thirty great uncles and aunts, his twenty-six great great uncles and aunts, and his forty second-cousins may feel slighted.

The Detroit *Free Press* declares that "Salem has just lost a respectable old lady whose mother was burned for a witch during Puritan rule." The old lady whom "Salem has just lost" must have been very, very old, if her mother was "burned for a witch during Puritan rule."

That Illinois paper, which declares that "the footprints of civilization" have been discovered in its neighborhood 120 feet below the surface of the earth, might be believed; but when it expects us to believe that a sea serpent has also been discovered at that depth, it asks too much.

The Auburn *Advertiser* learns that the Auburn Theological Seminary is soon to have a library building, suited in all respects to its needs, through the liberality of Hon. WILLIAM E. DODGE, of this City, and Hon. EDWIN B. MORGAN, of Auburn. The corner stone of the Seminary was laid just fifty years ago next May.

Day breaks regularly, and it is generally supposed without much difficulty. A recent novelist, however, thus tells us how he thinks it is done: "Dawn is just beginning stealthily to unlatch the eastern gate; her torch, new-lit, makes but a puny opponent for the night's one great and myriad lesser lamps."

Five persons, just of that age when they know too much to be boys and too little to be men, arose in wrath and noisily stamped their way out of a church in California a few Sundays ago, because a negro came in and quietly took a seat in a neighboring pew. But these same five frequently loaf in the same negro's barber shop for hours together on week days.

The Richmond *Enquirer* says of the gentlemen appointed by Governor WALKER to meet Commissioners of West Virginia to settle the indebtedness of that State to Virginia, that their high character and acknowledged ability give assurance that they will ask nothing more than Virginia is entitled to, and accept no settlement that is unjust to the people they are appointed to represent.

Covington, Ky., indignantly denies that it is a "little country village." It proudly says that its vote in August "indicated" a population of 22,000, and that it has twenty miles of paved streets, thirteen miles of gas pipe, a Court House that cost $50,000, one of the finest hospitals in the country, (costing $100,000,) twenty-one churches, a public library, six public halls, eleven hotels, two street railroads, six breweries, five distilleries, two rolling mills, one foundry, and numerous other manufacturing establishments. Let justice hereafter be done Covington.

A Boston lecturer recently said that American society, looking to Judea for its inspiration, to Paris for its fashions, to England for its indorsement, and to the unknown future for its objects, has had a great want of substantial enjoyment. There is, the lecturer continued, a great deal of somnambulism in our intellectual life; school drill and college routine here do not seem to have been invented for creatures rational at the start. "Our metaphysics should be less vague and visionary; our politics less cumbrous; our theology less formal; our æsthetics less partial, than are those of other nations."

Mr. REUBEN E. LOVERING, too, has declined a Labor Reform Party nomination for Councillor in New-Hampshire, saying that although he is a firm and free friend of the laboring man, and an earnest advocate of all measures calculated to promote their interests and secure their rights, he believes the ends they desire can be better and more surely attained by remaining in and colleagueing with that great party of laboring men that raised four millions of laborers from chattelhood to the rights and privileges of American citizenship; that has placed a home within the reach of all by the enactment of the Homestead law, and that has done more to elevate and dignify labor than all other parties combined.

Dr. A. BRONSON ALCOTT thinks EMERSON is the only American writer. He says that every metaphor that comes to EMERSON's mind is put into his commonplace book. Once in a while it occurs to him that he ought to put a metaphor into his commonplace book, but he never hits on one. Thus, he has been waiting for years for a metaphor for "Boston," and when it comes it will be "Boston." Alcott says he thinks there are three kinds of people—those who read Plato without understanding him, those who read Plato and understand him, and those who read Plato before they have digested him. The first class are those who are applauded by forums into an essay, and the essay goes to press, and we have an Emersonian essay.

Speaking of ANSON BURLINGAME a Boston paper says: "Writers on the possibilities open to American ambition have often cited the appearance of FRANKLIN in his plain suit, serene in his simplicity, at the glittering court of Versailles; but there was nothing in the history of that shrewd, lucky Boston boy of the last century to compare in romance and bizarre splendor with the life of the cool, easy, self-poised young man of our own day, who, losing his seat in Congress by the vote of our North End Wards, presently found himself the representative of the oldest and greatest of the nations, accredited to the courts of the world."

The Boston *Transcript* says one of the solid men of Boston gave a friend in a box the other night an account of a concert he had just attended, and being asked if there was much applause, replied very slowly: "Well, considering the price of the tickets, I thought there was rather too much. When folks pay a dollar apiece for their tickets, they count not be too reluctant to applaud. I always make it a rule to see that I get my dollar's worth first, and if I think that I get anything over, I am willing to applaud for the rest." This, given in a loud and serious voice, set the passengers in a roar; whereupon the old gentleman declared—still sticking to his principle—that if his opinion had cost anything there would have been neither laughter nor applause.

HARBOR ENCROACHMENTS.

The Bill Introduced in the Senate by Mr. Conkling.

Some days since Senator CONKLING asked, and by unanimous consent obtained, leave to bring in the following bill, which was read twice, referred to the Committee on Commerce, and ordered to be printed:

A bill for the preservation of the harbors of the United States against encroachments.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the President be, and he is hereby, authorized and required, immediately upon the passage of this act, to constitute a Board of Commissioners for the preservation of the harbors of the United States against encroachments and obstructions, which Board shall consist of two members and a secretary. The Chief of the Corps of Engineers of the army, the Chief of the Bureau of Navigation of the navy, and the Superintendent of the Coast Survey, shall be ex-officio members of the Board. The other members to be appointed by the President, by and with the advice and consent of the Senate, shall be two from civil life. The secretary shall also be taken from the civil life. The senior member shall be President of the Board, and shall in like manner elect a Secretary, who shall keep a full record of all the proceedings of the Board. The Board, thus constituted, shall be attached to the War Department, and shall perform its duties under the direction of the Secretary of War, shall adopt such rules for its government as may be approved by the President, and shall be exempt from fees or emoluments.

SEC. 2. And be it further enacted, That it shall be the duty of the Board, having determined the boundaries of the harbors of the United States, to cause to be prepared, in the same, in writing, a detailed report of which shall be made to the Secretary of War, all maps and charts showing the boundaries of harbors, which shall be signed by the Chief of the Corps of Engineers of the army, and copies of the same for each harbor shall be deposited in the offices of the Collector of Customs of the district in which said harbor is situated, and the same shall be open to inspection of the public.

SEC. 3. And be it further enacted, That the pay of the officers provided for in this act shall be the same as now or hereafter shall be fixed by the laws established by law; that of the Secretary, $2,000; and such necessary traveling and incidental expenses, when in the discharge of their duties away from the City of Washington, as the Secretary of War shall approve, shall be paid to members of said Board.

Letter from Speaker Blaine on the Public Expenditures.

Speaker BLAINE has written the following interesting and gratifying letter on the public expenditures:

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
WASHINGTON, D. C., Feb. 21, 1870.

MY DEAR SIR: Some inquiries have arisen in some of the public journals about estimates and appropriations and disbursements, the impression has been created that General GRANT's Administration has expended more money in the same time than its immediate predecessor. This is totally erroneous, as the balance sheet, on a comparison of official figures, will clearly establish. The present Administration has been in power nearly a year, and we can compare that period with the closing twelve months of President JOHNSON's Administration. From March 1, 1868, to March 1, 1869, Congress passed the Army Appropriation Bill, over $265,000,000—I avoid fractions for the sake of perspicuity. Every dollar of this was expended, and the public debt for the same period increased about $8,000,000, as appears from the official publications of the Treasury Department. Adding nothing a total expenditure for the year of $274,000,000.

The total receipts into the Treasury for the first year of General GRANT's Administration, estimating for the few remaining days, will amount to $290,000,000. Out of this sum total $40,000,000 have been applied to the payment of the public debt, $214,000,000, or $50,000,000 less than was expended in the same time by President JOHNSON's Administration. These figures are taken from official records and their accuracy cannot be questioned.

It will be observed that the receipts were $20,000,000 more in General GRANT's first year than in Mr. JOHNSON's last year. Over $20,000,000 of this must be credited to the internal revenue, which has been much more faithfully collected; for it will be noted that this large increase in amount in the second year from diminished and contracted sources of taxation, many of the taxes in force during a part of the year less, having been repealed before President GRANT came into office. Whether regard, then, be had to the fidelity with which the revenue is collected, or the economy with which it is expended, the comparison for the present is undeniably and overwhelmingly in favor of the present Administration.

For the future the fullest confidence may be indulged. The House of Representatives is vigorously seconding the efforts made by Mr. DAWES, the able and upright Chairman of the Appropriation Committee, to curtail expenditure wherever it may be done; and I am very sure that for the ensuing year Secretary BOUTWELL will exhibit a financial record even more satisfactory to tax-payers than that for the year which is about to close. Very truly, yours,

J. G. BLAINE.

W. T. JOHNSON, Esq., Augusta, Me.

The Election Frauds—A Suit for Money Expended in the Investigation.

An action has been commenced in the Supreme Court of this district by ROBERT MURRAY, late United States Marshal, against LE GRAND B. CARSON and others, for the purpose of recovering something over $3,000 for money expended by the plaintiff, at the instance and request of the defendants, in efforts to ferret out the frauds alleged to have been perpetrated in naturalization and at the polls, in this City, during and prior to the election of Governor, 1868. The plaintiff says that, while he makes no demand for personal services, he is, according to contract, entitled to be repaid the money which he expended. Among the charges is a bill of Messrs. WARBURTON, DEVINE & BOUDOR, stenographic reporters, and other bills which plaintiff says were necessary and legitimate. The matter came before Judge BARNARD yesterday, on a motion made by the defendants for a further and more definite bill of particulars, and also that the action be referred, for the purpose of taking testimony. The motion as to the bill of particulars was granted, as to the other branch of the motion the Judge reserved his decision.

Christian Workers' Association.

Those engaged in forming this Association held an adjourned meeting at Christ Chapel, in Chrystie-street near Broome, last evening. Mr. ALBERT WOODRUFF occupied the chair, and Mr. BARNARD acted as Secretary. A form of constitution was submitted by Mr. BALDWIN on behalf of the Committee appointed for that purpose, which was read and adopted.

On motion the following gentlemen were named as managers, and a committee appointed to wait on each and solicit his acceptance: J. L. Davenport, Stanton-street Baptist; J. H. Ockershausen, Forsyth-street Methodist Church; George J. Wilson, Church of the Epiphany; Samuel Young, Reformed Dutch; E. T. Schondelmier, Moravian; Rev. Joseph Bradley, City Mission; William Shears, Allen-street Methodist Church; Henry G. Leask, Mariners' Temple; J. W. Lester, Allen-street Presbyterian; and Robt. B. Sinclair, Forsyth-street Methodist.

After some further discussion of the objects of the Mission, it was agreed that the Board of Managers shall have the right to elect the officers of the Association. The meeting then adjourned.

TARIFF REFORM.

Meeting of Citizens of the New-York Bar Association.

Speeches of Judge Shellabarger, William Allen Butler, E. R. Sherman, E. M. Sands, William Cullen Bryant, and Others—Resolutions of Mahlon Sands of the Tariff Reform Association.

Pursuant to call, numerously large meeting of merchants and others interested on the process of tariff reform, was held yesterday afternoon at the room of the Open Board of Brokers, No. 10 Broad-street. Prominent among the gentlemen present were many of the leading merchants, shipowners, and capitalists of the City, including Messrs. W. C. Bryant, Royal Phelps, S. J. Tilden, S. B. Ruggles, Hiram Barney and many others whose names are familiarly known in Commercial circles. Mr. ROYAL PHELPS called the meeting to order, and nominated Hon. JACKSON S. SCHULTZ for President, which nomination was unanimously confirmed. Mr. E. B. MINTURN then read a list of Vice-Presidents, all of whom were unanimously elected.

Mr. SCHULTZ then came forward, and on taking the chair, spoke as follows:

MR. JACKSON S. SCHULTZ'S SPEECH.

FELLOW-CITIZENS: We meet to-day as the friends of free trade, believing that free exchange of products is the best system of society the world gives. This great truth is beautifully illustrated in the free and unobstructed political and trade relations of the States of this Union, and we regret, in common with thousands of men everywhere, that these free relations do not prevail universally between the nations of the earth. But, fellow-citizens, what is our practical work and duty? Not to be sorry, but to repair the injury, but to aid by our counsel, so far as permitted, in adjusting the difficult trade problems now under consideration at our national capital. The practical questions which we are called upon to consider are these: For what object, to what end, ought taxes and imposts to be levied upon the people of this country? It is to pay the interest on, and finally the principal of, the national debt, then we must all agree that an internal and customs system, so adjusted as to give the greatest amount of revenue with the least burden to the people, is the one which patriotic men should adopt. But we have a class of selfish men among us who desire to divert these public revenues, and either pay them away in bounties and subsidies, or, what is the same thing, secure monopolies to certain classes by prohibiting importations altogether. The industrial interests of the country will not be promoted by this course of legislation; nor do we believe that the large mechanical and manufacturing interests in whose behalf a few prominent politicians are pretending to guide and control the legislation of the country, will approve the demands made in their name. The exceptional interests which might for a short period be stimulated into an artificial life by securing a monopoly for their products are so insignificant when compared with the general industries of the country, that the wonder is that any considerable number of men in Congress or elsewhere could be found, prior to the work of a proper adjustment of this question, the agitation of which is even now doing much to paralyze the interests claimed to be advanced. The manufacturing and mechanical interests of this country do not require any other, or further, protection than they now receive from the cost of the transportation across the ocean of foreign products; our people are too ingenious in the contrivance and use of labor-saving machinery to require to be "protected" from foreign competition; the freedom in which they live, their superior intelligence and greater energy enable them to beat all other nations. If only they can have the raw materials of industry cheaply, but it is these raw materials of industry which the present "protective" tariff makes artificially dear to the American people. This the very law under which we live are ingeniously arranged in the interests of few monopolists, so to cripple and clamp the industries of the various industries of the country, so far as I have any right to speak for the manufacturers of the country, I desire to protest, in their name, against the continuance of such a state of things, which must in the future assuredly destroy enterprises, as it is in the past, much which, but for the tariff, would have thus day been prosperous. As manufacturers we want to be let alone. We want not only stability but peace. This we can never obtain under any system of forced legislative "protection," such as is demanded in our name and in the name of the country itself by those who established and declared to be the fixed policy of the Government, then is not only all controversy at an end, but the manufacturers themselves can anticipate, long before Congress will be called upon to act, what changes are demanded and when likely to occur. As long as Congress, in defiance of the wishes of manufacturers, and in defiance of the general public sentiment, continues to grant special protection, these appeals will continue and multiply as they have heretofore, and if they are heeded, all the productive interest of the country may be placed in the unenviable and mortifying situation of our own manufacturers and shipowners, who are forced to call Government subsidies for transportation and bounties on ship-building. The concessions unavoidably made in a strictly revenue tariff are all that any of the manufacturers hitherto specially favored can plausibly ask, and this only for a short time, until the equipment of our national industries, development of the vast resources of our country will secure, for long years in the future, immunity from such influences as have heretofore demoralized our legislation, and led too many instances diverted both capital and labor from more legitimate pursuits, and brought the science of political economy, as applied to our affairs, into disrepute. Let us hope that this experience be repeated! Let us hope that there will be good sense enough in Congress to avoid the misappropriation of labor, such as this course would imply.

RESOLUTIONS BY MR. BUTLER.

At the close of Mr. SCHULTZ's remarks, Mr. WILLIAM ALLEN BUTLER said that he thought the resolutions he was about to offer would embody all that was remain to be considered before the meeting. The question to be discussed was one touching the vital interests of the community. The issues needed to be instructed how to act in the wisest and best manner for the good of the whole. It was eminently fitting that the commercial community should meet together and they did to-day, to express their views on the great question before them, in order that they might act wisely and discreetly hereafter.

Mr. BUTLER then read the following resolutions, which were unanimously adopted:

Resolved, that with the settlement of the political questions of Reconstruction, the time has come for a primary duty of American statesmen to devote themselves to a search, in the financial policy of the Federal Government, for the means of relief from the burdens of taxation and tariff which has been imposed upon the United States, has greatly impaired the prosperity of the country, has added enormously to the burdens necessarily created by the war, has made the rich richer, has crushed the poorer classes by increasing the expenses of living. While claiming to "protect American industry," it has in fact, before and crippled the industry of many of the best of them. It has destroyed the prosperity of these great branches of manufacture, which were formerly engaged in the production of articles for export to South America, the West Indies, China and Japan, which gave employment to the wool grower and the manufacturer of woolen goods; it has so increased the cost of iron, coal and raw materials as to impose needless burdens on the Railroads and American industry engaged in manufactures; it has added enormously to the expense of railroad construction and transportation; it has defrauded American labor by enhancing the price of the necessaries of life, products, and it adds to this oppression by enhancing the price of every article which the American laborer may wish to purchase in exchange for the products of his toil.

Resolved, That the present tariff has destroyed our shipbuilding interest, while our unjust laws present the American shipowner from competing with the English, the French, the Dutch, and the Italian in carrying freight. Our shipowners need no subsidies, but they have a right to ask for the abolition of legislation which places them at an irretrievable disadvantage compared with their foreign rivals by prohibiting them from purchasing ships in the cheapest market.

Resolved, That the enormous and continuous expenditures now imposed upon the people, by an unjust and corruption in office, call loudly for reform and simplification.

Resolved, That the existence of our national debt, and the heavy taxes which it inevitably necessitates, render it imperatively necessary that no money shall be taken from the people by Government for the maintenance of any favored class or individual.

Resolved, That we demand that all bounties or subsidies in any special interest, whether given directly in pecuniary payments, or indirectly by so-called protective duties, and we demand that taxes levied by Congress shall be levied only for the support of Government and to provide for the national debt, that the tariff should be adjusted solely with a view to revenue, and so simplified that the people shall be able to understand the articles from which the public income can be raised for Government.

Resolved, That the burdens of our present illadjusted taxation are oppressive, and that all that part of the country, but as the City is the chief centre of exchanges for the products of all branches of American industry, and as our prosperity is therefore directly dependent upon the prosperity of the great producing interests of the country, it is incumbent upon the citizens of New-York to take a leading part in securing the reforms which are needed.

Resolved, That those of our fellow citizens who have associated themselves to work for reform, under the name of the Free Trade League, have a just claim to our thanks for the success which has attended their efforts during the past year.

Resolved, That if a new Congress is hereafter to be elected, it is imperative that the agitation for revenue reform should be continued, and that the people should be so enlightened that members of Congress should be pledged to work way of the public expenditure, to a cash revenue for all Government demands, exclusive and special legislation, and to a revision and simplification of the tariff.

Resolved, That to secure these essential reforms, we each of us pledge our efforts and our means; and that a Committee of ten be appointed by the Chair to secure the cooperation of all who desire to assist in this object.

The fourth, fifth and seventh resolutions were especially applauded.

Mr. R. B. MINTURN said they had received a large number of letters from Congressmen and other friends of the cause throughout the country, but as there were a great number of them, and it would be invidious to select any, he would only read the very short one from Hon. HENRY WARD BEECHER, which was received with applause. Mr. M. H. GRINNELL, Secretary of the Free Trade League, then introduced the following letter from Hon. JOHN A. DIX, which was received with applause:

MR. MAHLON H. SANDS, Secretary of the Free Trade League, then introduced the following letter from Hon. GERRIT SMITH, which was received with applause:

The legislation at the beginning of the war had had the effect of taxing the people incidentally, and those who sought to lessen the burden of taxation by reducing the duty on imports, had been unjustly accused by the *Tribune* of being bribed by British gold. Mr. GREELEY did not see fit to withdraw his assertions that the

from the other side, although on the published subscription lists which had been circulated, a gentleman who subscribed to the fund, was found to be a member of the Free Trade League. The presumption was, however, that the protectionists there could support such a proposition. The great question now open of the free trade was entirely an open question, with only one exception. The first important event in favor of the free trade movement of late, was the Boston demonstration. Mr. W. E. CHANDLER said Mr. ATKINSON had aided the League so much that they had left the work to him. He was not the author of the resolutions. Mr. HARRIS, the learned political economist in the Senate, stated that he was thirty-five years of age, owing to the present high tariff. Last year's Congress was regarded as the most protective Congress we had ever had. The Congress this year had almost passed a free trade resolution. They lacked only six votes, and he thought that by working among their constituents they could make up the number.

After some further remarks by Mr. SANDS, Mr. C. H. MARSHALL, the Treasurer of the League, then presented the financial account of the League. He said that when the League was first organized, in 1867, the full amount of its receipts was $1,500; the next year these receipts were only $1,000; the next year they were $7,500, while the receipts last year were $9,500. So, the expenses for lectures, tracts, publishing the *Free Trader*, &c., being $9,500 in excess of these receipts. The Treasurer felt satisfied that the people would sustain the action of the League and contribute more freely to its support, if they knew the men who, in the past, had pledged their fortunes, their honor and their lives. At the close of Mr. MARSHALL's remarks, Mr. SCHULTZ introduced Mr. WILLIAM CULLEN BRYANT.

SPEECH OF WILLIAM CULLEN BRYANT.

Mr. BRYANT said, in the course of his remarks: I believe that the days of what the millowners call protection are numbered, and that they are few. I believe that the delusive doctrine that a village may make itself great by refusing to trade with a neighboring village, or country, with an adjoining country, a State with a State, as for example, New-Jersey with New-York, or a people under one Government with another, as the United States, with Canada, or with the countries of Europe, is assuredly destined, so far as this country is concerned, soon to perish and be swept away, along with the other fallacies and delusions which have wrought mischief in the world for a time, as exploded and cast aside. When that time shall arrive, and we shall be delivered from the yoke of the monopolists, which is now so heavy on our necks, great and lasting benefit will be the result. I know the men at whose instance and procurement this meeting has been called. They will have the credit of boldly attacking the conspiracy of monopolists, the drilled phalanx of protection, at the time when monopoly was most pampered, overgrown and formidable, and putting it to death by a speedy process and without mercy. Mr. President, there is not a mail which comes to the office of the Evening Post which does not bring some testimony to the efficacy of the means used by the young men of this City to enlighten public opinion in regard to the mischiefs of protection. I, for one, thank these young men, and half a dozen newspapers in the country that discussed the revenue question in the interest of liberty and the people. How you may count them by scores, perhaps I should say by hundreds. Where they formerly spoke with caution and vaguely they now speak with boldness and decision. The young men's movement bids fair to be a great reform was strange and rare time. Now there are no meetings called for a public object which are so numerous. A year ago it was difficult to find a member of Congress who would publicly say that he doubted the policy and wisdom of protective duties. Now there are members who, in their own district, by reason of the present high tariff, would speak for the poor of whom he was one, and would give his time and services to the cause.

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The Addington Will—Some Further Testimony as to the Testator's Religious Belief.

Some further testimony was taken yesterday, before Surrogate HUTCHINGS, in regard to the will of the late Mr. ADDINGTON, the particulars of which have already appeared in the TIMES.

Mr. *Cyrus Curtis* testified that the deceased was in the employ of the institution of which he (witness) was President; that he acted as their agent for some ten months; then resigned his position, and gave as the reason that he felt that he was called especially by God to preach. His conduct and business habits were entirely correct during all the time he was in their employ.

Dr. ATKINSON testified that he did not think a person of unsound mind simply because he avowed his belief in the Spiritual Spiritual communion. He knew several persons who are active business men, successful in whatever enterprise they undertake, who are firm believers in Spiritualism and take an active part in all the meetings of that peculiarly religious denomination. As one instance the witness said he could mention the name of Dr. J. P. GRAY.

The examination has not been concluded.

Meeting of the United States Assessors.

At a meeting of United States Assessors to consider the assessment of special taxes under the recent ruling of Commissioner DELANO, held yesterday at No. 160 Leonard-street, a question was introduced as to whether some citizens need include in their manufactured sales the value of stores put and dressed by them, but which they did not sell, and which they used in carrying out their building contracts under the buildings and contractors' leases. The opinion of Commissioner DELANO on the above subject was read, but stated that they need not return the same in their manufactured sales.

The Board was officially informed that where gas companies sell coke and coal tar manufactured by them, to an amount exceeding $1,200 per quarter, they are liable under section 4 of the act of March 31, 1866, to tax on the excess above that amount.

The Board had also under consideration a matter with reference to peddlers. The question was as to the liability of a person taking out a license as retail dealer and peddler, as to whether the special tax imposed in such a case depends upon the combined sales of the stock. A

Mr. SCHULTZ said that in order not to confine the question to the Republicans, they would now hear from a Democrat whom he had known as a free trader for thirty-five years. He had stood up in Tammany and fought for free trade. When Tammany was different from what it was now. He took great pleasure in introducing to the Assembly Hon. SAMUEL J. TILDEN.

SPEECH OF MR. TILDEN.

Mr. TILDEN said, in substance, that he should not argue the question of free trade. He came here merely to testify his sympathy for the movement. The protective system had shackled commerce and reduced the power of production, to satisfy the wants of humanity. He welcomed the young men who were now starting this free trade movement. Free speaker then paid an eloquent tribute to Mr. BRYANT, declaring that notwithstanding that gentleman's contributions to literature, his biographer would in the future pronounce his greatest service to be his forty-five years' advocacy of a movement to liberalize trade and antagonize industry.

Mr. SCHULTZ regretted that there was not time to say to-day all that was to be said. They might as well make up their minds that this was but the beginning of an agitation which would last for years. Secession had lasted for years. If it did not turn Republicans of a few, it was now expected that all would put their shoulders to the wheel and help them out. He introduced Mr. SANDS, who would receive their subscriptions. Mr. SANDS announced that he would head the list with $5,000. Another gentleman gave the same sum, and another gentleman followed the same. Mr. SCHULTZ told a story and called for the "thousands"—one gentleman having previously made an offer of $2,500.

Mr. SAMUEL STRONG then arose, and with deep feeling and kindling considerable excitement said that he could not give money or gold, but he would speak for the poor of whom he was one, and would give his time and services to the cause.

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THE CUSTOM HOUSE.

Auction at a Night Inspector—He is Discovered and Leaves—A Survey of Him by the Surveyor.

The Surveyor's Department of the Custom House has just had a sensation—something to look over! One GEO. W. TAYLOR, a Night Inspector, has been taking advantage of his position and perpetrating sundry singular irregularities—in the dark. In the first place, since his appointment in December, he has represented himself, personally,

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FALSE INCOME RETURNS.

Collector Bailey's Charge Against Flynn—Apparent Method of Bookkeeping—Contradictory Statements About the Books.

Another attempt was made before United States Commissioner Osborn, yesterday, to obtain a hearing on the merits of the serious charge recently made by Collector BAILEY against a wholesale liquor dealer named WM. H. FLYNN. The account is alleged to have made false income returns to the Government, the charge being founded on discrepancies claimed to exist between entries under BAILEY's supervision and those made by Assistant-Assessor HAYWARD, who made the investigation. Counsel said, according to his calculations, there was a discrepancy between the amount of the returns of income and the books, it is said, were placed in the hands of one Mr. TILNEY, of No. 23 Bridge-street, as receiver, and two lawyers, detailed to match them by BAILEY. FLYNN, the defendant, claims that the books are very essential to him in carrying on his business, and that they have been found, his counsel stated, to be true and correct. He further stated that he has made repeated endeavors to recover his books from the revenue officers, but that he has been unable to ascertain what had become of them.

Yesterday the Commissioner did not the defendant stand ready to proceed with the case, but the Assistant District-Attorney, General JACKSON, asked an adjournment on the ground that Mr. BAILEY had important evidence to show that the books belonging to the defendant had been left in his office, and he was unable to be present at that time.

Hon. SAMUEL G. COURTNEY, counsel for the accused, opposed any adjournment. He said there was no more reason why the case should be adjourned than there will be at the adjournment on the previous day. He also characterized the prosecution of his client as a gross wrong, being prompted by no other motive than spite against Mr. BAILEY. The Commissioner subsequently decided to adjourn the examination until to-day, in order to give the Assistant District-Attorney an opportunity to introduce Mr. BAILEY as a witness in the case.

COMMON COUNCIL.

Board of Aldermen—By Whose Authority was the Fifth Pavement Laid?

This Board met at 3 P. M. yesterday, Mr. CORMAN in the chair.

The following resolution was presented:

Resolved, That the Street Commissioner be and he is hereby requested, at the earliest date at his command, to inform the Board of Aldermen by what authority he caused the laying of the Fifth Pavement on Concrete Pavement in Fifth-avenue, particularly the pavement in front of Madison-square, Union-square park, with the aggregate cost of the work, at what expense and how long removed, together with such other facts as in his judgment may be of importance or desirable to be known by the authorities of this City.

The resolutions were adopted and the Board adjourned.

Board of Assistant Aldermen—More Laying of Pavements.

The Board met at 3 P. M. yesterday, Mr. BARTLEY in the chair.

A resolution was adopted directing the Street Commissioner to suspend all further proceedings in the matter of regulating and grading Worth-street, between Baxter-street and the Bowery.

Resolutions were adopted authorizing a sewer to be made from the laying of Belgian Pavement Wood pavement in Fourth and Fifth streets, from Bowery to Mangin-street, the cost not to exceed $5 50 per square yard; to lay Belgian pavement in Twenty-fourth-street, from Sixth to Tenth-avenue; in Forty-fourth-street, from Eighth-avenue to East River; in Chambers and Ludlow streets, in Forty-ninth-street, from Third to Fifth-avenue, and in Broome-street, from Norfolk-street to the East River.

The Board then adjourned to Monday next.

City Missions.

On Wednesday evening the City Mission held its monthly meeting in the Alexander Presbyterian Church, Seventh-avenue. A number of the missionaries related incidents of their observations and experiences in tenement houses, mission stations, &c., and showed the power of Christian sympathy in dealing with all sorts and conditions of men. Mr. LEWIS E. JACKSON, Secretary, adverted briefly to the rise and progress of the mission, and the advances made by Christ in government, and gave a general view of the results. Rev. GEORGE F. MINOTT, Superintendent, described the practical operations of the mission and spoke particularly of the interesting work among the Germans. Rev. Dr. MACKEM, pastor of the Church, said he was very much encouraged to see such a well tended and appreciated. This Christian work is an absolute necessity in a City like ours, and the Church have endeavored to perform their part in this neighborhood." Among the statistics we find the following figures: 40 missionaries; 1 missions; 4 Sunday Schools; 1 reading room and lodging house; 5 temperance societies; 1,[illegible] missionary visits; 71 temperance pledged; [illegible] tracts and papers given; 96 preaching services; 197 prayer meetings; 500 families aided and $1,000 given, besides large amounts of clothing, food, &c.

The Boiler Explosion in Thirty-third-street.

Coroner FLYNN decided yesterday to commence his investigation into the disaster in DECKER & CO.'s factory, in West Thirty-third-street, on Monday next. It will be remembered that the locomotive boiler exploded on the 14th inst., and caused the death of WM. S. WRIGHT, one of the clerks, and severely injured JOHN DONELLY and one or two others. The inquest in the case of Mr. WRIGHT has been delayed in the hope that the engineer, DONELLY, might recover sufficiently to be examined. It now appears that but slight hopes are entertained of DONELLY's ever leaving his bed, so his ante-mortem examination has been taken. It proves rather unsatisfactory, the engineer not being able to give a clear idea of the boiler's condition prior to the explosion. Several experts in the manufacture of boilers have been summoned by the Coroner, and they will give him the result of their experience, having already examined the shattered boiler and the scene of the disaster.

Daring Robbery at the Sub-Treasury.

Yesterday afternoon Mr. WILLIAM DUNMAN, Vice-President of a National Bank at New-Brunswick, entered the United States Sub-Treasury in this City, having in his hand a morocco bag containing $7,000 in coupon bonds and currency. This he laid down upon a desk near by, and having it almost in plain view, stepped to the counter to make some inquiries. He was thus engaged but a moment when, upon turning around, he found that the bag had been taken away. He made complaint of the robbery to Officer WALKER, of the First Precinct, but the investigation at once commenced by the Police led to no better result than the discovery that the robbery was probably the work of two clever sneak thieves, of whom, however, could no adequate description be obtained. The detectives are yet engaged upon the case, but no one is very sanguine that any of the property will be recovered.

Advertising Through the Police Courts.

Quite an excitement was occasioned yesterday afternoon in the Tombs Police Court by the arrangement of sixteen boys fantastically attired in a scarlet uniform, all carrying illuminated banners. The Court room soon filled with spectators, and the prisoners made a dashing show as they strutted themselves before the Magistrate. Officer BEATTY, of the Broadway Squad, who had made the arrest, stated that he had warned the boys, who, it appears, are peripatetic vendors of advertisements for one of the City theatres, not to come on his post. This happened on Tuesday, when the Grand Army made a tank up and down the street. Yesterday they appeared on Broadway, and he ordered off by the officer, they stated that they had been instructed to court arrest. The Magistrate finding that the accused had not acted in a disorderly manner, released them, at the same time intimating that they must not go on Broadway. Again boys left the Court, the impression being strong that it was simply an advertising dodge on the part of the estate manager.

LAW REPORTS.

COURT CALENDARS—THIS DAY.

SUPREME COURT—CIRCUIT—PART 3, AND GTR AND TRIMMER.

Held by Ingraham, J.—Court opens at 10:30 A. M.

Short Cause.

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DECISIONS.

SUPREME COURT—CHAMBERS—FEB. 24.

By Judge Barnard.

Getty vs. Devlin; motion granted for an allowance.

Miller vs. Loch; motion denied.

Bochm vs. Bochm; motion granted.

McIntyre vs. Merrill; motion granted.

Herbert vs. Smith; order of reference granted.

Have the application of the Commissioners of the Central Park; order granted.

Wallace vs. Flanagan; motion for a receiver granted.

King vs. King; motion denied.

Norris vs. Perry; motion denied.

Walker vs. American National Bank; motion granted.

By Judge Ingraham.

Robbe vs. Bonday; motion granted on payment of costs of term and of this motion.

Miller vs. First National Bank of Clyde; motion denied.

Allen vs. O'Brien; motion granted without prejudice, &c.; costs to abide the event.

SUPREME COURT—GENERAL TERM—FEB. 24.

By Judge McCunn.

Cook vs. Post; motion for an attachment granted; order to be settled.

Myers vs. Fiscel; motion denied.

Hoffman vs. Hoffman; case settled and filed.

Pastor vs. Pastor; report confirmed and divorce granted.

Lehmann vs. [illegible]; order appointing a receiver granted and James M. Gano appointed.

Coates vs. Post; motion to dismiss granted.

Turner vs. Turner; referee ordered.

Pitts vs. Lotz; referee ordered.

Horn vs. Cohn; let a referee be entered in this case, so that an inspection of the books can be had.

By Judge Spencer.

Fisher vs. Carlisle; motion granted.

Myer vs. Bohr; motion granted.

Albertis vs. Albertis; motion granted.

Devlin vs. Mayor, &c.; motion granted.

Haywood vs. Herder; order appointing receiver.

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT—SOUTHERN DISTRICT.

Before Judge Blatchford.

PROOF OF BOND—JUDGMENT ENTERED AFTER ADJUDICATION OF BANKRUPTCY UPON A TRUST THAT EXISTED BEFORE SUCH ADJUDICATION.

In the matter of Stephen Brown, a bankrupt.—The above bankrupt was so adjudicated on the 21st day of December, 1869. On the 22d day of December, 1869, Jacob Lich commenced a suit against the bankrupt, upon a debt which existed at the date of the adjudication of bankruptcy, and judgment was entered on the 10th day of January, 1870. During the proceedings in that matter before the Referee, Lich applied for leave to serve his judgment under the proceedings in bankruptcy, and this application was denied, on the ground that the judgment was not given to secure a debt which was a lien upon property, which, if not so secured, would be avoided by the assignee in bankruptcy, and that the judgment creditor was not a creditor at the time of the adjudication of bankruptcy, and that the debt was not provable against the estate of the bankrupt. The Referee held that the debt was provable against the estate, and that the judgment was valid, and that the judgment creditor is a creditor against the bankrupt, and that the judgment creditor is a creditor against the bankrupt, and that the judgment creditor is a creditor against the bankrupt

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NEWS OF THE DAY.

EUROPE.

The Corps Legislatif held a tempestuous debate yesterday, on the proposition from the Government to abandon wholly the system of nominating and supporting official candidates for the Chambers. The opposition to the project came entirely from the side which ordinarily supports the Government, and a motion to uphold the system of official candidates was made from that side, which prevailed by a large majority. The liberal side voted to sustain the proposition of the Ministry. The result is regarded as a vote of want of confidence in the Ministers....The anniversary of the Republic of 1848 was observed by banquets in Paris....GUSTAVE FLOURENS, the leader in the riots, not appearing to defend the prosecutions against him, has been sentenced to three years' imprisonment....The Mordaunt divorce case in London will reach a decision to-day. The *Times*, commenting on the Prince of WALES' connection with the suit, ascribes his error to heedlessness in forming personal intimacies forbidden to royal personages, and advises him to take his father's life as a model in this particular....The health of Mr. BRIGHT causes deep anxiety in England....Underwriters demand fifty per cent. premium on the missing steamer *City of Boston*....The subject of reform in the War Office gave rise to a bitter discussion in the House of Commons yesterday....A St. Petersburg dispatch says the remains of the late Mr. BURLINGAME will be taken charge of by Mr. CURTIN, and will be embalmed and will lie in state at the American Legation. The other members of the Chinese Mission will complete the negotiations with the Czar, and will then return to China.

CONGRESS.

In the Senate yesterday the House amendment to the Political Disability bill was concurred in. Several bills and resolutions were introduced, among the latter one calling on the President for the authority under which General AMES has acted as Provisional Governor of Mississippi. A resolution against a currency expansion was also agreed to without a division. A report from the Library Committee was received adverse to the purchase of an oil painting of the late President LINCOLN. The Civil Rights bill was taken up and discussed until the expiration of the morning hour. After which, Messrs. FENTON and PATTERSON made speeches upon the Funding bill. The discussion in regard to the admission of Mr. H. R. REVELS, colored Senator elect from Mississippi, was then resumed. The debate occupied the remainder of the session, and, without deciding the question, the Senate, at 4:30 P. M., adjourned.

In the House the first business of the day was the disposal of the Whittemore case. Mr. LOGAN yielded the floor to the accused member, who was proceeding to reply to the charges made against him when he was interrupted by the Speaker, who announced that copies of telegrams containing the resignation of Mr. WHITTEMORE, together with its acceptance by the Governor of South Carolina, had been received, and it was a question whether the gentleman could be allowed to proceed, he being no longer a member of the House if his resignation was proper. A long discussion ensued upon the right of a member to resign without consent of the House. Finally it was decided that the resignation was effective; the resolution of expulsion was tabled, and a resolution of condemnation, declaring Mr. WHITTEMORE unworthy of his seat, was unanimously adopted. The House then, in Committee of the Whole, again took up the legislative appropriations. The bill was finally disposed of and reported to the House. All the amendments were agreed to except the two making appropriations of $91,000 and $14,500 to the Carson City Mint and the Bureau of Education respectively. Upon these a generale vote was called for, pending which at 4 P. M. the House adjourned.

THE STATE LEGISLATURE.

The entire session of yesterday, in the Senate, was devoted to the bill abolishing the Canal Contracting Board and the contracting system of repairs, and the bill to abolish the office of Auditor of the Canal Department, both of which, after a long debate, were ordered to a third reading. An evening session was held, at which progress was made with several measures.

In the Assembly the Militia Enrollment bill, the Brooklyn Cabinet Makers' Incorporation bill, the Convict Labor bill, the Board of Police Clerkship bill, and the Ferry-slip Gates bill were passed. A recess was taken until ½ P. M. The evening session was mainly devoted to the bill to amend the charter of the New-York and Long Island Bridge Company in Committee of the Whole, and it was finally laid on the table.

GENERAL.

On the 22d instant outrages were committed on Chinamen in San Francisco, which threatened to produce a riot, but a heavy rain and a strong force of Police combined dispersed the gathering crowds.

Mr. ORTON, President of the Western Union Telegraph Company, appeared before the Senate Committee on Post Offices yesterday to testify in relation to the working of American telegraph lines. He gave statistics presenting a comparison between the telegraph in Europe and in the United States.

Governor HOFFMAN yesterday vetoed the bill authorizing the District-Attorney of Washington County to appoint an assistant, on the ground that under existing laws the emergency could be met.

Naval honors were paid by the vessels of our squadron at Hong Kong, and by the foreign vessels present at the time, to the memory of the late Mr. STANTON, FRANKLIN PIERCE and Rear-Admiral STEWART.

Rear-Admiral ROWAN, in command of the Asiatic Squadron, informs the Navy Department that all is quiet on that station, with the exception of occasional piracies and the "murder of a missionary now and then" by the Chinese.

The missionary packet *Morning Star*, was wrecked Oct. 18 on Dbonga Island, in the South Pacific. The passengers were saved and brought to Honolulu by a British vessel.

A fire in Galveston, Texas, on Wednesday night, destroyed property estimated to be worth $1,000,000, constating mainly of merchandise.

Yesterday the 1881 bonds sold at a premium in gold, being quoted at 117¼ to 117¾, when gold was 116¾. The 5-20 bonds of 1862 sold at 20 in London, the highest point ever reached there, and within about one per cent. of par in gold. The price of gold here touched 116¾, the lowest point since Sept. 14, 1869, when it sold at the same figure, and since Aug. 30, 1869, when it sold at 116¾.

The Alumni Association of Dickinson College held their first reunion in this City, at the Astor House, last evening. Speeches were made by Drs. CROOKS, DASHIELL, DERBY and others, and letters were read from several absent graduates, including Bishop JAMES and Dr. MCCLINTOCK.

A very large and enthusiastic free trade meeting was held in Broad-street, yesterday. Hon. JACKSON S. SCHULTZ presided. Addresses were made by WM. CULLEN BRYANT, SAMUEL J. TILDEN, and others, and resolutions were adopted denouncing the high tariff policy and pledging the hearty support of the meeting to the free trade system.

Ex-Marshal ROBERT MURRAY has commenced a suit in the Supreme Court against LE GRAND B. CANNON and others, to recover for money expended in ferreting out the frauds practiced upon the ballot box in this City in November, 1868.

An important will case is pending and soon to be tried before the Supreme Court, in which BENJAMIN ABRAHAMS, as executor, brings a suit against the Hebrew Benevolent and Orphan Asylum Society and others. The amount of money involved is large, and several of the leading lawyers of the City are engaged in the case.

The Committee on the Reception of Hon. WILLIAM H. SEWARD are to meet that gentleman at the Astor House this evening at 6 o'clock, and learn his wishes as to time when the proposed banquet shall take place.

The Federal Government and the Canals—Mr. Bennett's Bill.

Mr. BENNETT, representing the Buffalo District in Congress, has secured the reference to the Committee on Commerce of a bill to "provide for the better protection of the Northern and Northwestern frontier, and to facilitate commerce and diminish the expenses of exchanges between States." The bill enacts, virtually, that the United States shall issue its bonds to the State of New-York to the amount of $15,000,000, payable in coin at four and a half per cent. per annum, on the pledge of the State that it will so enlarge the Erie and Oswego Canals as to make them practicable for vessels of six hundred tons burden, that the State debt for the paying of which the revenues of its canals are constitutionally appropriated shall be immediately discharged, and that thereafter no canal toll or tax shall exceed one-half mill per thousand tons per mile, to be collected for the purpose only of defraying the cost of the maintenance and repairs of the canals. The plan is, in effect, to give to the Federal Government the control of the two trunk lines of canal from the lakes to the seaboard, on the condition that they shall be enlarged as to locks, and deepened and widened as to capacity of floatage up to the limit of vessels of six hundred tons.

In this Mr. BENNETT proposes nothing more, or, if more, only in a better sense, than is conceded by Congress in many of the land grants or other forms of Government aid given to the railroad systems of the West. No one can question the good which would result from a canal of the capacity proposed, tapping the whole chain of the upper lakes and Canada, and making them permanently tributary to the City of New-York. The great West has a common interest with us, and will doubtless stand by the bill. Mr. BENNETT has hit upon a scheme which has much to recommend it.

It is not our part to throw cold water upon it. The work once done, in any shape, at any cost, by any authority, State or national, its good effects would be felt over a vast territory, and twenty States would be willing tributaries to its support. But Mr. BENNETT, being only a practical business man, does not look as closely as he might at the constitutional questions involved. He should date back to the time when Mr. VAN BUREN, then President, vetoed a bill which proposed to expend some $85,000 for the removal of a dangerous rock upon the Connecticut coast, but in his veto message suggested that while the removal of the rock would be a local improvement, the erection of a lighthouse upon it would be strictly correct and constitutional. The lighthouse was built, and cost a quarter of a million. The rock, which might have been removed for one-tenth that sum, still remains, the foundation of the lighthouse and a scrawful expense. These difficulties, connected with the text of the Constitution, are an obstacle on the path of Mr. BENNETT'S bill. Appropriations for improvements, absolutely within a State, have always been held, to be in contravention of the organic law; these connecting one State with another are legally within the sense of the powers of the Federal Government. We will not argue how false and foolish this construction may be, or how, as in the case of New-Jersey railroads, it interrupts communication between States which have constant and what ought to be uninterrupted and unembarrassed intercourse. We need only say that legal precedent is against Mr. BENNETT. Some day this localism may be broken down. The constant assaults made upon it in Congress are an indication of what will probably sooner or later come—a centralization of the whole work of transportation under the Federal control.

But in the meantime Mr. BENNETT'S measure is one of intrinsic merit. He may have brought his suit in the wrong Court, and have made serious errors in his forms of pleading. But what he wants and we want is a canal, under State control, from Buffalo and Oswego to tidewater, capable of floating vessels of six hundred tons burden. We have small faith in Mr. BENNETT'S bill; we have full faith in what it is designed to accomplish. All the accidents of the time are against him. Except for land grants to Western railroads, there is no indication on the part of Congress of a willingness to lend aid to local improvements. Lands can be given away cheaply, because, however valuable, they cost next to nothing originally. The public lands have always been a sort of "free lunch" for the speculators and politicians, and that seems to be their final fate. In this case it is proposed, for the first time, to loan the national credit to a State already rich. No matter how worthy the purpose, it will have quoted against it all the wise saws of VAN BUREN'S time, and the more modern instances of TANEY.

We are all favorable to the object Mr. BENNETT'S bill proposes to accomplish. But the State of New-York, badly governed and clumsily handled as it is, is still sufficient for its day. The enlargement of the canals wanted by Mr. BENNETT can be reached by the scheme of Mr. HATCH, or by a simple crediting to the trunk lines—not the laterals—of the money they have earned, and a just decision of what is fair between us and them. If they have actually paid for themselves, if they have been always a source of income, if they have paid not only their own debt but ours, if, instead of being a drag, they have always been a Hercules at the wheel,—New-York as a State can assume the task and build them up to the magnitude which Mr. BENNETT suggests. At the present moment the National Government has all it can be induced to carry. Between the different cries of reduction of taxation, and of rashly speedy payment of the national debt, it may not listen to appeals for State improvements. Only the poorer States and Territories, those that cannot help themselves, are likely to get grants from Congress; and we therefore conclude that Mr. BENNETT'S bill, in itself a benefaction, must fail of final success. But it does not follow that New-York should not carry out its own policy, and do what the nation cannot well do in its present emergency, and what, perhaps, it cannot do under the established construction of the Federal Constitution.

The project in itself is one of profound interest. It proposes to hold the lakes and the ocean in intimate relations; to repeat and continue the old event when a bottle of water from Lake Erie was broken over the bows of a small craft brought from Buffalo to Sandy Hook. The bateaux of the Mohawk are almost forgotten. The petty boats of the old canal are substituted by the heavy craft of the present. Neither are sufficient for the want, the emergency, of the time. We need a ship canal from the lakes to the ocean,—one which if not equal to may rival the ditch of Suez. The latter only connects the East Indies with Western Europe. The former would bind the great West—greater and grander than all the Indies—with the Atlantic shore. As between the two the Erie Canal is the best. It will float annually a larger tonnage and carry a heavier freight of what the world most needs, than the Suez. If in the construction of constitutional law Congress should find it impracticable to pass Mr. BENNETT'S bill, as we think it may, New-York, empire and chief of States, can meet the emergency by doing the work alone. We want a wise, broad, liberal policy, a recognition of the debt we owe to our canals, and a strong assertion of the absolute truth that within our limits lies the only good route from the lakes to the ocean.

Another Brazilian Bubble Burst.

Everybody recalls the fever for Central American and South American colonization which seized some of our people in 1865. It raged chiefly in the South, where, at the close of the war, some heartless or deluded ultra-Confederates persuaded many of their countrymen to quit their native shores forever, rather than to return to the "hated Union."

The expatriation mania did not last long, but, during its course, it brought ruin to many a family and many a fortune. First came the Mexican or Maximilian project under MAURY, HARRIS, and others—better known as the Cordova colony,—which, after a brilliant beginning, came to the most irretrievable ruin, as did all the other Mexican plans. Next followed the Honduras colony, remnants of which still exist, but which was sadly disappointed in the British colonial patronage on which it relied. Various West Indian schemes came to little, by reason of political convulsions, and the same may be said of the coastwise colonies along the South American continent. In 1866, a "North American colony" was established two leagues north of the village of San Javier in the Argentine Republic, though we are not aware that it has ever amounted to anything.

But of all these colonial projects, the Fra-

The "Ring" in Extremis.

The despondency which exists in the ranks of the "Ring" and its adherents is one of the most promising signs we have detected since the *World* began its warfare. The Tammany oracles begin to see that a revolt against their odious rule elicits so cordial an expression of popular sympathy as to seriously endanger their existence. The country Democratic papers, for reasons best known to themselves, have made light of the whole movement. But as the weeks go by, it becomes more and more apparent that the schism is not led by isolated individuals, but that it has gained the support of a very large and powerful section of Democrats. This section are studying how to build up the Democratic Party of the future. It is time, as they plainly perceive, to emancipate themselves from the chains which have so long held it to the ground. We care very little what personal jealousies or animosities may have had their share in instigating the present mutiny. We are only interested in the cause of good government, and undoubtedly the fight against the "Ring" must help to promote that. It is conceivable, but not very probable, that in the present state of public feeling the opponents of the existing Ring would throw their chance away after they had won it, by imposing upon us an equally corrupt and shameless organization. If they were so infatuated, they would accomplish their own ruin after ruining their enemies—and thus in any case the Republican Party would be the gainers.

The Legislature has reassembled without any compromise, or prospect of a compromise, having been arrived at. It always seemed probable, supposing that the assailants were acting in good faith—that is, really meant "war to the knife"—that the attack would be fatal to the cabal which has been prominently associated with Democratic scandals. As to the true character of the opposition, we have only to say now, as we have said throughout, that we risk nothing by believing in its sincerity. If we should turn out to be deceived, we are no worse off than at present. But we still incline to the conviction that there is no deception in the matter. Is it so very improbable that a large number of the Democrats are weary of the disgrace brought upon the whole party by the Ring, and would fain clear themselves of it before they engage in a fresh trial of strength with their opponents? Men in all parts of the State would willingly enter into a coalition on this basis. It is time that the leading Democrats should decide on some of their prominent candidates at the next election. For instance—there is the Governor. What is to be done with him? That Erie bill still hangs like a millstone round his neck. It would require a very strong party to carry him safely over the bridge with that load. But, not to discuss the question of persons, it is quite clear that the new league against the "Ring" may very easily find principles to go to the country with, which would insure them an easy victory over antagonists within their own party. And it may be assumed that the knowledge of this fact will keep the assailants steadily before the breach they have made until the enemy capitulates, or is driven off the ground.

The public must, however, have something more than words to build upon. The "Ring" had its opportunity in the Legislature, and threw it away—*quem Deus vult perdere!* Now comes the turn of the new alliance. Unless all appearances are fallacious, the forces are by no means so weak as the besieged section would willingly induce us to believe. It is not a forlorn hope, but an army, that is advancing to the assault. Now, let us bring the contest to a practical test. What do the *World* and its supporters propose to do in reference to the charter? Will they force amendments to any measure of the kind sufficient to insure us an honest City Government? There may not be time to introduce a charter of their own; but if their coalition has any [illegible] the only hope of the assailants. The [illegible] fate of the majority of the Legislature [illegible]. Give us a government that would be satisfactory to the bulk of the people, and we shall begin to think that the new era has really dawned upon us.

There is another point in which it is necessary to remind our readers that we are deeply interested, namely, the substitution of a pure and honest Judiciary for the present shamed and degraded one. We have fought for this object for years past, well knowing that the property, nay, the very lives of our citizens are concerned in the issue. By thus fighting, when all others were inactive and silent, we have undoubtedly prevented the commission of some infamous acts, and driven the guilty Judges from post to post until at last they can find none but notoriously disreputable agents to undertake their defence. Now the day of reckoning ought to be near at hand. A legion of hirelings cannot avert the bolt which is destined to strike every Judge who degrades his lofty office. If the league against the Ring mean to impeach the criminals, we will venture to foretell their ultimate triumph. The *World* has not openly marked the Judges it aims at, but we care little for that, so that its supporters will strike. Remove the men whose names are familiar to every one in the country as the type of the "unjust Judge" of old. If this be done, moderate Republicans will act with the insubordinate Democrats, and in the end we shall have a municipality which is not a horde of banditti, and Judges who will administer the laws with fidelity.

West Point and Annapolis.

Once a year it is in order, we believe, for some Congressman to take the floor with a resolution to wipe out West Point and annihilate the Naval Academy. This year the traditional task has fallen upon a new candidate for such honors,—Mr. SPENCER, of Alabama.

What Mr. SPENCER proposes, in abolishing the two Academies, is to substitute military and naval instruction in various colleges by assignment of officers to duty there, or else to "inaugurate some other system calculated to relieve the Government of a large expense, and enable all who desire it to secure an education for the army or navy at their own expense." With all respect for the author, we conceive this to be the most preposterous proposition ever yet made regarding the Government schools—and that is saying a great deal.

To begin with, has Mr. SPENCER any idea of the enormous number of colleges that would put in claims for such instruction? And is he aware of the rivalry and jealousy which would be produced by the rejection of some claims and the acceptance of others? And does he not see that, even with the arbitrary choice of one in ten among the colleges of the Union, the expense of maintaining a decent military and naval educational system would be enormously increased? Perhaps he does see something of this sort, as his proposition is an alternative one, providing for "some other system, calculated to relieve the Government of a large expense."

Economy is always the key-note sounded for a rally against the Government schools; but we beg to know how economy is to be secured by creating six West Points instead of one, and by duplicating Annapolis with half a dozen other Naval Academies? The reply is that this measure would only assign unattached officers to duty. But that is precisely what is done now, and hence the only effect of this so-called "economy" would be to increase the number of unattached officers. The officers and instructors of the Naval School are wholly or chiefly officers of the navy; and those of the Military School are in great part officers of the army. If the proposition be to give more general and popular military instruction, let it be effected by the means in question, in addition to the two schools already in effective operation. But to destroy what we have got in order to get more, seems to us not economy but extravagance, especially as we should render useless two military establishments founded with great cost and care. Congress already has made a law assigning military instructors to colleges, and retired and unattached officers have been filling places in sundry institutions in accordance therewith. All this is very well, but it is simply a favor done by the country to the colleges, in wise provision for the future; it is not by such means, however, that a St. Cyr or a Polytechnic is built up.

A project to break up and scatter broadcast the two Government schools is like that ignorant policy which in 1861 proposed to send ten thousand different columns into the enemy's country, and to harass him into subjection. Dear experience taught us that concentration, not scattering, was the key to success in campaigning as in everything else. Precisely the same is true with military education. Decentralizing our resources is destroying them by frittering them away. No thoroughness, no true technical triumphs, no professional progress could be hoped for by this *dilettante* style of military and naval education. We should get neither sailors, soldiers, nor scholars from our mixed-up schools. The colleges are already overloaded with the burden of studies thrust into their curriculum, and this new duty would make their course of instruction a little of everything and nothing of anything.

However, it will be time to discuss more fully this subject if it be pressed. We incline to think it is one of those resolutions regularly put before the Military Committee about the time when the Academy appropriations come up, and which are then usually allowed to rest.

Gold still goes down. Yesterday it touched 116¾—the lowest figure yet reached, and a decline of 1½ per cent. on the rate of Wednesday. The close connection between these reduced rates and the appreciation of our securities abroad, is the best evidence of the improvement that is going on in the nation's credit. There is of course the danger of sudden reaction from a fall in the gold premium so rapid and to such nine as unexplicable; and in this possibility lies the only hope of the gamblers. The [illegible] A generation spoiled somewhat by inflation of the currency is affected by the action of the public prosperity. The resolution offered by Mr. WILLIAMS, and adopted without a division, depreciates any addition to the present volume of irredeemable paper as a fresh obstacle to resumption, and an evil that would operate disastrously upon all legitimate business and all forms of industry. This is the right ground to take upon the subject, and in the prospect of adherence to it by the majority of Senators, we have an antidote to the mischief which recent proceedings of the House seemed likely to produce. The restoration of the currency to a healthy condition is really a more practical and a more important work than funding the debt. We should soon have specie payments if the Senate's view prevailed.

Revenue reform had a good hearing in this City yesterday. The meeting held to promote it was large, preponderant in its judgment, and in its composition reflected a noteworthy variety of educated mercantile opinion. The resolutions adopted express the rapidly-growing convictions of the people with regard to the tariff, and the revenue system generally; they simply state facts, which an unfortunate experience has revealed, and indicate principles which have their most formidable opponent in organized monopoly. The weak points in the demonstration arose out of ill-judged attempts to identify revenue reform with the Free Trade League. The League champions a dogma which has, confessedly, no likelihood of adoption in the present condition of the country. The most efficient friends of revenue reform are they who reconcile their advocacy of change with a regard for industrial interests which, from the necessities of the Government, derive a valid title to incidental protection.

Mr. WHITTEMORE ought not to have been allowed to resign, after he was convicted of a grave offence against the House—and there are two or three other incidents connected with the affair that will strike everybody as being rather extraordinary. In the first place, how is it that General BUTLER, a member of the House, could appear as the professional advocate of another member who had sullied the honor of the House? Mr. BUTLER was one of the injured persons, and it was his duty to have stood by the House. When he spoke of his client, are we to assume that he was paid for his services? If so, will General BUTLER'S own conduct bear investigation? With regard to Mr. WHITTEMORE, we can only say that General LOGAN made a mistake in not pressing his original resolution to a vote on Wednesday. He knew what Mr. WHITTEMORE meant by asking an adjournment of the discussion till Thursday. The House has not properly asserted its dignity, and the fault is Mr. LOGAN'S. We must now have the other traffickers in cadetships brought up for judgment. They are selling their country so far as lies in their power, and it is a farce for them to pretend to be serving the country at the same time.

Poor old SANTA ANNA reminds us of that persevering warrior in ARIOSTO, or PULCI, "who went on fighting still, though he was dead." The ex-President forgets that to all intents and purposes of Mexican progress, he is a moribund celebrity, and that he is not wanted by any of those in Mexico who think themselves under the necessity of keeping up the old character of the Republic by an occasional outbreak. One would think that before going to Cuba to ask permission of RODAS to take shipping for Mexico, he would have remembered the fate of the other interloper, MAXIMILIAN. But if a man can forget he is dead, himself, it is no wonder he should forget the death of anybody else. Or, he might take encouragement from LOUIS BLANC, who, alluding to BARRERE'S old saying, recently declared it is the "dead" who actually "do return." LOUIS would probably bid SANTA ANNA go ahead.

The new bill of the Erie Railroad will form another interesting subject for study on the part of all who like to watch the power of money. Our correspondent at Albany tells us that the "intention is to buy the bill through the Legislature, as was done with the Erie legislation two years ago." The prospect is delightful to some members, but not quite so agreeable to the people generally, who take no pleasure in seeing their representatives put up for sale to the highest bidder. The Governor, we must probably assume, would sign the new bill without demur. If any cases arose under it for trial in a Court of law, we all know beforehand how they would be decided. It is a very pretty arrangement all round. It may be weak, but we wish the "Twelve Temptations" had not been brought to bear just yet upon the infirm purposes of a Democratic Legislature.

In late London journals, there are accounts of the archæological raid of Messrs. PULLAN, WOOD and DENNIS among the Ionian localities of Asia Minor, whence they have brought from Priene, Teos and Ephesus, over two hundred cases of sculptures and other relics, all of which are to be arranged in the British Museum. While reading of these things, and also of the liberal doings of the French, the Russians and the Germans in the same way, we cannot help wondering when we are to have our own great museums in our wealthy capitals and begin to vie with the people of other countries in these achievements. Our citizens are as capable of enjoying such things as any other in the world, and if they once got up the suitable building, our rich travelers would soon stock it with curiosities. All the Mesopotamian "mounds" are not by any means used up, and one or two of these, to be had for a few thousand dollars, would furnish the finest kind of materials to begin with.

The *Express* states that the Democratic divisions will soon end, that those divisions are entirely upon the surface, and that "reasonable concessions will be made all round." The wish is father to the thought. We have shown elsewhere reasons for adhering to our original conviction that this new league means serious mischief to the "Ring." Perhaps the *Express* has still the leading facts to learn in reference to the trial, sentence—and we hope shortly to add execution—of some notorious corruptionists and Judges!

This new affair of the Prince of WALES is not a very inviting subject to discuss—although the circumstances necessarily attract public attention to it. The Prince's letters to Lady MORDAUNT—brilliant productions of genius, no doubt—were found by Sir CHARLES MORDAUNT about a year ago, but they formed only one of his reasons for instituting a suit of divorce. The lady's own confessions led to her detection. As regards the Prince, his denial of guilt must be received as conclusive—he may be a very foolish person, but it is unnecessary to suppose that he would voluntarily appear as a witness and commit perjury. The London *Times* seems to have taken the trouble to inform the [illegible]

Speaker BLAINE has written a letter referring to the expenditures of General GRANT'S Administration as compared with those of Mr. JOHNSON. Mr. BLAINE denies that the President is chargeable with disbursing more of the public money during his first year of office than Mr. JOHNSON did during his last, and gives figures in support of this statement. The Speaker further alludes to the increase of receipts from taxation, and the confidence which may be felt in Congress with regard to economy and efficiency in the public service. Mr. BLAINE'S letter is cheerful and well timed.

There appears to be considerable mystery in regard to proposed California legislation for the benefit of the Chinese. Some time ago it was stated that the Chinamen were maltreated and cheated in a very gross manner, and that in spite of the careful watch kept over their interests and safety by the "Six Companies," an organization with its headquarters in China. To obviate these difficulties, a plan was suggested by the House Committee on coolie emigration, to organize a State Police, with a branch in every town with a hundred or more Chinese inhabitants. The expense was to be met by a special tax on every Chinaman of $6, and every Chinese woman $3 per month. The main effect of this measure would seem to be, as we stated at the time, to provide valuable offices for an army of needy politicians, and so the idea was generally regarded. Now, however, the question is introduced in a new light. The Chinese, says the Committee, need protection from the "Six Companies," who have imported three-fourths of them as coolies, from which relation the latter desire to escape, but are unable. The companies work, it is added, in secret to compel the performance of coolie labor contracts, and set the judicial power at defiance. Perhaps before long the real motives of this benevolent legislative movement may be discovered—at present the statements in regard to it are contradictory, and open to suspicion.

General BADEAU, in his article on "Our Relations with England," in a monthly magazine, seems to have fallen into an extraordinary mistake. He adopts a quotation—from what source we are not informed—which runs thus: "The *Spectator*, whose circulation is among the class which was most unfriendly to America during the war, and whose prejudices were faithfully represented by the London *Times* and the *Saturday Review*," &c. If this is meant to convey the impression that the *Spectator* was ever unfriendly to America, or was on the same side as the other journals named, a great injustice is done to it. General BADEAU cannot but remember, if he looks back a little, that the *Spectator* was as strongly on the side of the Union as any American journal that exists. It seems rather hard to wage a gallant fight in support of a particular cause, and then be so sued of espousing the cause of the enemy.

Finance in Congress.

[Communicated.]

It is just a twelvemonth since the Chairman of the Committee of Ways and Means reported to the House a resolution, which was adopted with great unanimity, affirming the obligation and purpose of the Government to pay its bonds in gold, according to their true intent and meaning. Under the impulse of that resolution Five-twenties advanced four per cent. on the London market in a single day, and in the interval between the introduction and passage of the measure, the advance was nine per cent. On Monday last, being nearly the anniversary of that financial victory, the House, by a vote of 110 to 73, instructed its Committee to report a bill adding $50,000,000 to the undeemed and overdue promises of the nation; and for this measure also, the Chairman of the Committee of Ways and Means gave his vote, in company with several of his colleagues. At a time of profound peace, when the revenues are so ample that the Secretary of the Treasury is obliged to ask authority of Congress to make application of his surplus, the popular branch of that body proposes to levy a forced loan of fifty millions upon the people, and this while a similar loan of three hundred and fifty millions, levied under the pressing necessities of war, and when the life of the nation was in peril, is utterly unprovided for. We give to these circulating and broken promises the polite name of "legal tenders," but they are in reality a forced loan, and nothing else. No people ever submitted voluntarily, and with their eyes open, to such a tax as that which is now proposed, alike without excuse and without equivalent. When the existing greenbacks were issued, the American Government had nothing to pledge to its citizens in requital for their patriotic service, but its promises and its honor. The new notes will be showered upon the country at a time when the Treasury is overflowing with revenues derived from burdensome taxes—revenues which, if judiciously applied, would speedily rid us of our past-due paper, and give the country a solid and healthy circulation based on real money.

While at one end of the Capitol the representatives of the people have been thus occupied, the friends of the Administration at the other end are pushing forward a bill for funding debts not yet due at a lower rate of interest. With what prospect of success such a measure could now be launched, will be readily understood by those who know the sensitiveness of American credit in European markets, and who appreciate the shock which will be given to it by this new declaration in favor of prolonged or voluntary bankruptcy. European bankers express the greatest surprise that the American Government having the remedy in its own hands should postpone the adoption of measures for the resumption of specie payments. They recognize the fact, if we do not, that a debased currency is the most burdensome and unequal of taxes, unsettling all values and making prosperous industry impossible. That a nation having a surplus revenue should submit to be thus burdened, is an anomaly in the history of Finance. Who are the nations with whom we thus consent to rank ourselves? They are Russia, Austria, Italy, Brazil, the Argentine Republic, and—countries deeply if not hopelessly in debt, and which with every year's expenditure create new deficits, to be covered by the succeeding Budget. The three first named are struggling to free themselves from their embarrassing position, but they are without the resources of territory and population which make our emancipation easy.

Astounding as is this new declaration of national bankruptcy, the source from which it comes is yet more noteworthy. An analysis of the vote shows that from the New-England States there was one vote for, to twenty-three against it; we need hardly mention that the affirmative vote was General BUTLER'S. From the Middle States there were eight votes for, to thirty-three against it; from the Western States sixty for, to nine against; and in the Southern States thirty-four for, to five against; while from the gold-producing States of California and Nevada the vote was equally divided, two members being for and two against an expansion of the

currency, which is, despite hostile in their principal industry.

From the West and South, therefore, is to come the impetus to the movement which will help to impoverish the country, and put the redemption of our bonds in peril. What motive have they to do this? None whatever. On the contrary, the West is, of all sections, the most deeply interested in having contraction, and an early resumption of specie payments; and this for the obvious reason that it has already returned to the specie standard in the sale of its great staple. The domestic price of wheat is fixed in European markets, and it is fixed in gold; but the price of gold is fixed here, and from natural and artificial causes it is unduly depressed; naturally, by having been reduced from the rank of money to that of merchandise and limited demand; artificially, by the continued sales from the public Treasury. The farmer is therefore forced to sell his wheat at the low standard of gold and to buy back his labor, his tools, his fertilizers, his transportation and his living at the artificially high prices created by a debased money. Thus he is made to pay tribute to other producing sections by the difference between the premium on gold and the average advance in prices of all commodities which he consumes. Gold is the measure of what he sells, paper of what he buys, and the premium on gold does not adequately express the loss in purchasing power which the currency has sustained. Nor is the former any better off in the purchase of foreign products, since the latter are burdened by an excessive tariff, imposed in the vain attempt to counteract the extravagance which a bad currency has entailed on all producing interests. The products of the East not being exported, are not subjected to the gold standard, the prices of them rule higher in consequence. The West, therefore, can lose nothing and would gain much by the adoption of measures to hasten the resumption of specie payments; and an intelligent view of their own position should lead them to favor contraction rather than expansion. We have something to say regarding the demand of the West and South for more circulating medium, but we must defer it to another occasion.

AMUSEMENTS.

Theatrical.

WALLACK'S THEATER.

The performances of to-night and to-morrow afternoon will be the last for the Winter season in which Mr. LESTER WALLACK is to participate, as he leaves town directly after for an extended tour through the country. It is a fitting occasion to say a few words respecting Mr. WALLACK's acting and the service that his management has afforded to the theatre-going public. Of the first, it is only just to affirm that he has never before, to our mind, appeared to such good advantage as during his present engagement. A manliness, a mellow ease and a *bonhomie* have been added to the exact study and careful elaboration that were not lacking to them before, with the result of making his dramatic pictures agreeable companions as well as praiseworthy works of art. Mr. WALLACK's *Colonel Wild*, his *Jack Popple*, and his *Chalcote*, like good wine, leave a pleasant remembrance, and (like it) they were always tasteful and exhilarating. Excellence in the histrionic art, is by far the majority of cases, arises from continued and earnest devotion to its practice under favorable circumstances. Mr. WALLACK's uncommon natural advantages have been improved and ripened by just such propitious study, and that in the best attainable school. Hence he has always something thorough and fresh and bright to convey, and never wearies either by crudity or conventionality. There have been few artists in our day whose personations have been at once so enjoyable and so worthy of intelligent praise; and in the vein of light and eccentric comedy, Mr. WALLACK is not only unsurpassed, but is without a rival. We account it fortunate for New-York that so fine an artist should have his home within her walls; and the felicitation is heightened by Mr. WALLACK's undeniable superiority as a manager. His touch for the pulse of the public is that of a master; and he has taste and imagination enough, while always meeting the popular demand, to keep everything that is done on his stage at a mark high enough to be satisfactory even to the cultivated and fastidious. This is a rare managerial virtue, and it helps, among other things, to account for a rare success; and this, in a measure, the patrons of the stage in our sister cities will now have some opportunity to appreciate, as well as the favorite manager's capital acting. We cordially wish Mr. WALLACK abundant success on his provincial tour, and a happy return to the circle of his friends and townsmen.

THEATRE FRANCAIS.

The benefit performance of M. GERRENICK is to occur at the Theatre Francais this evening. "La Dame Blanche" will be sung.

Musical.

CONCERTS IN ASSOCIATION HALL.

Mme. ELENA LANARI, assisted by Miss J. R. BULL, Miss MARKSTEIN and Messrs. HILL, BECKET and MORA, gave a "Farewell Concert" at the Hall of the Young Men's Christian Association last evening. Dr. BERGE being ill Mr. DRESSLER supplied his place as accompanist. Mme. LANARI has a well-trained voice, and sang acceptably, while Miss BULL gave general satisfaction in a song by ABT and a subsequent *encore*. Mr. MORA, in response to an *encore*, gave an extemporaneous rendering of SCHUBERT's "Ave Maria" on the organ, with real feeling and good effect. Mr. MORA is a good and skillful organist, though we should like to hear him in something besides the popular but rather "trashy" music of the day. The remainder of the artists filled their parts most acceptably.

On Wednesday afternoon Mr. S. P. WARREN, assisted by Mr. W. H. BECKET, gave the fifth of his organ recitals at Association Hall. The programme was an exceedingly good one, embracing selections from such masters as BACH, HAYDN, MENDELSSOHN, MOZART and SCHUMANN. It is almost unnecessary to say that such *morceaux* received that judicious and conscientious interpretation which Mr. WARREN always takes pains to give. The andante from MOZART's symphony in E flat was the gem of the afternoon, for beauty and simple, yet rich harmony, while a chromatic fantasia in A minor exhibited Mr. WARREN's complete control of the pedals.

The Proposed Reception to Hon. Wm. H. Seward.

At noon yesterday the Special Committee of the Common Council appointed to tender a reception to Hon. WM. H. SEWARD on his approaching visit to this City, held a second meeting in the chamber of the Board of Aldermen. The meeting was presided over by Alderman MILLER. It was announced that a dispatch had been received from Mr. SEWARD, who is at present in Baltimore, stating that he would be in New-York at 6 o'clock to-morrow (Friday) evening. He will remain at the Astor House, where he will be waited upon by a sub-Committee of the Board of Aldermen, consisting of Messrs. WOLFKIN, ROBINSON and GALVIN. It is contemplated to give the distinguished guest a banquet at the Fifth-avenue Hotel, but at present the Committee do not seem to be certain whether he will accept this testimonial of their regard.

The "City of Boston"—No Tidings of the Missing Steamer.

Up to a late hour last evening no news in relation to the missing steamer *City of Boston* had been received by the agent of the Inman line in this City. Most of high nautical authority (among others Commodore J. J. ALMY, U. S. Navy) entertain the idea that the steamer may have been disabled in her machinery and compelled to take wide sea room, under canvas, in which case her not being heard from would not indicate a disaster. There is still hope that she will soon be heard from. The following is the list of passengers on the *City of Boston*, booked at Halifax: F. E. Potter, Captain W. Forbes, Mr. Lacoste, T. E. Robinson, Captain Hamilton, J. Allen, A. K. Dosse, E. Billing, Mrs. Keldage and infant 18 months old, J. B. Young, Mr. Boker, lady and two children, Mrs. Orange and child, J. Barrow, Walter Barrow, F. Power, Jr., Captain Sterling, lady, infant and nurse; Jas. M. Paint, Miss F. Paint, F. A. Knox, W. M. Murray, C. B. Silver, E. J. Sohmary, John Thompson, Deputy Assistant-Surveyor of Stores; Lieutenant Orange and female servant, John D. Purdy, C. Fisher, T. K. Montgomery, W. M. Parks, Sleeper; Jas. Holland, J. Groves, Mary A. Erskine, Patrick Cassidy, Geo. Rowling, James McClain and wife.

WASHINGTON.

The Case of Mr. Whittemore—His Resignation Rejected—Further Delay on the Case of the Colored Senator from South Carolina—Bill Introduced for Inflation—Resolution in the Senate—Miscellaneous.

Special Dispatch to the New-York Times.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 24.—Mr. WHITTEMORE cheated the House out of its just due to-day. Its dues were the expulsion of the incapacitated member. But it was not the fault of Mr. WHITTEMORE. It was the fault of the representable fact that the parliamentary precedents of the House are on the side of the unfortunate doctrine that the House has no power whatever to punish any member for any conduct by which he may have disgraced himself and the body with which he acts, provided he chooses to tender his resignation before the House can administer the punishment. So Mr. WHITTEMORE, acting in accordance with the intimations given last night, had prepared his resignation in advance; and when he took the floor to-day to make his final defence, he sent simultaneously a copy of his letter of resignation to the Speaker, and the dispatch of Governor SCOTT, of South Carolina, accepting the same. He had uttered but a sentence or two of his defence when the sharp rap of the Speaker's gavel interrupted him, and he was informed that, in consequence of his resignation, he was no longer a member of the House, and could only proceed by unanimous consent. This at once brought up the question whether the resignation was of effect sufficient to deprive the House of the power of enforcing the resolution of expulsion. After a half hour's explanatory debate, and the citation of the proceedings of GILBERT and MATTESON, the House decided to sustain the Speaker's ruling that the member was no longer a member, and a resolution of expulsion could not therefore be enforced, although the warning voices of BANKS and DAWES were heard against the sanction of the grave doctrine that the House has no control over the offences of its members, and that resignations must of necessity be accepted whenever offered. General BANKS forcibly held that there had never been a resignation without the implied consent of the House; otherwise the House was at the mercy of factionists and transgressors. But the House held to the technical precedents of the past, and laid the resolution of expulsion on the table, and adopted instead a resolution declaring that the conduct of Mr. WHITTEMORE was unworthy a member of the House and deserving its severe condemnation. This closed the drama, save a little grotesque interlude in the shape of a squabble over WHITTEMORE's vacant seat between BENTON and FARNSWORTH, BENTON claiming that he was to have it by virtue of an arrangement with its late occupant, and FARNSWORTH claiming it by virtue of a bargain with the Doorkeeper. The latter proved to be the better title, and all that remains of the drama is the sensation it has produced. Mr. WHITTEMORE is not especially creditable, as he addressed a religious gathering here to-night. No one believes him a corrupt man, and the result is quite as much due to his unfortunate defence as to the gravity of the offence with which he stood charged. He is considering the question of becoming a candidate for reflection.

FURTHER CADET INVESTIGATIONS.

The Military Committee was this morning engaged chiefly in considering what action they should propose in case Mr. WHITTEMORE's resignation should be declared of effect. Their decision is seen in the final action of the House. Later in the day they met and examined a gentleman from New-York, named HOLDEN, whose son was nominated to West Point by Mr. GOLLADY, of Kentucky. Money is said to have passed in this case, but Mr. GOLLADY avers his ability to prove that none ever came to him, and that if any was ever paid it was without his knowledge or consent. One or two other reports are expected to-morrow, possibly that of Mr. BUTLER, of Tennessee, whose case is somewhat similar to that of Mr. WHITTEMORE, so far as the use of money for political purposes is concerned. The legal status of the cadets appointed in this manner was brought to the attention of the Attorney-General by General GRANT over a year ago, and Mr. EVARTS gave his opinion that the cadets having been sworn into the military and naval service of the United States, could not be displaced except by action of Congress.

THE CASE OF THE COLORED SENATOR HIRON.

The Whittemore audience of the House, as soon as that excitement had passed away in the Representative Hall, repaired to the Senate to be spectators of the less exciting, the expected admission of a colored Senator. But, owing to the tactics of the Democratic minority, the well-dressed audience was not gratified, and they were obliged to turn away disappointed, for Mr. REVELS was not admitted to a seat. Mr. SAULSBURY argued the case at great length in opposition to the course, and consumed nearly all of the time up to the hour of adjournment. The point on which the opposition mainly objects to Mr. REVELS is that he is not a citizen, or rather that he has not been for the last nine years, the constitutional requirement for a Senator. In reply to this, Mr. WILLIAMS made a short argument, which hardly did him credit—to wit, that Mr. REVELS had a preponderance of white blood, and could not be considered a negro within the meaning of the law. Mr. CAMERON argued very pointedly that they were citizens by a higher law, that of having fought for and helped save the Union. It is doubtful whether the debate will be finished to-morrow. The Democrats show a strong disposition to protract the debate, and throw all the obstructions possible in the way of a speedy solution of the case.

CIVIL RIGHTS—THE CHINESE.

An important bill from the Judiciary Committee was considered in the Senate to-day for some time, without, however, any action on it. The object of the bill is to extend the provisions of the Civil Rights bill to aliens. It is intended the more particularly to hit California, and to meet the case of the Chinese. It provides that no tax or charge shall be imposed by a State upon any person immigrating through or from a foreign country, which is not equally imposed and enforced upon every person emigrating to such State from any other foreign country; and any State law in conflict with the act is declared void.

ANTI-INFLATION RESOLUTION IN THE SENATE.

Secretary BOUTWELL achieved a decided victory in the Senate to-day. He is most earnestly working towards the end of improving the credit of the Government, and, though he may not have been the author of Judge WILLIAMS' anti-inflation resolution to-day, it was nevertheless a strong reinforcement of his efforts to appreciate our securities and secure the passage of his Funding bill. The sentiment of the Senate was very strongly indicated by the fact that the resolution passed almost unanimously, not even a division being demanded. So the efforts of the House will come to naught, and that body will accept the Senate Currency bill, which transforms the three per cents into national bank notes. There was some talk early in the week about the Southern and Western members of both Houses joining their forces and pushing through by force of number their inflationist proposition, but it seems their numbers are not sufficient, and there will be no inflation this session.

THE ALASKA FUR AND FISHERY QUESTION.

The Alaska fur and fishery question was considered in the House Commerce Committee to-day, but was not disposed of, as was anticipated. The Secretary of the Treasury appeared before the Committee and urged the adoption of his proposition to manage the business by Treasury agents. He answered the objections against the Government engaging in what appeared a commercial business by showing that the Government owed a national and political duty to the inhabitants of the seal islands, to protect them and care for them, and could not depute it to any individual or body of individuals, as is proposed in the counter proposition before the Committee. He thought that in time the fisheries would be very valuable, especially when, as would certainly be the case, the whole business of dressing and manufacturing the furs would be done in the United States instead of in England, as is now the case. The Committee will dispose of the question at its next meeting.

THE EXPULSION OF THE RENEGADE.

Captain CHAMBERLAIN and his kit of the French Knockers are meeting with a very cordial reception in the National Capital. Last night they were entertained very handsomely at a brilliant select private party given by General and Mrs. A. J. MYER. To-day a lunch was spread in Captain CHAMBERLAIN's honor at the Navy Yard by Admiral and Mrs. DAHLGREN, and tomorrow he is jointly at the President's lunch and Mrs. THORNTON's reception. To-morrow the Secretary of the Navy, the members of the Cabinet, the Naval Committee of the two Houses and a party of unofficials, ladies and gentlemen, will visit Annapolis to inspect the Monitors, and will be entertained on board her. Captain CHAMBERLAIN is a genial, off-hand fellow, with a head full of hard common sense, and a jacket full of decorations and orders, all actually won in his gallant career.

THE BOLIVIAN NAVIGATION COMPANY.

The Commerce Committee of the Senate, at their meeting to-day, decided to report favorably on the bill incorporating the National Bolivian Navigation Company. The incorporators are GEORGE H. CHURCH, WM. H. REYNOLDS, JEROME B. CHAFFEE, S. L. M. BARLOW and others. The capital stock of the Company is $1,000,000, in shares of $100 each, and the power is given them to build and own steam and other vessels and employ the same in navigation between the United States and upon the rivers and navigable waters of Bolivia and Brazil. A few unimportant amendments were agreed upon, principally protective of the interest of the Government.

THE NEW-HAMPSHIRE CAMPAIGN.

Prominent New-Hampshire politicians are leaving here to attend to the approaching contest in that State. Senator PATTERSON left tonight, Senator CRAGIN goes to-morrow, and Sergeant-at-Arms ORDWAY, Mr. E. CHANDLER and others leave in a few days. Recent advices from the State are to the effect that the issues are becoming more defined, and that many of the elements which at first entered into the struggle have been eliminated. The Republicans are quite confident of being able to carry the State by a good majority. DAWES, BURNHAM, FITCH, Senator NYE and several others will speak in the State this week and next.

THE POSTAL TELEGRAPH SCHEME.

WILLIAM ORTON, of the Western Union Telegraph Company, appeared before the Senate Postal Committee this morning in opposition to the Postal Telegraph bill. He gave numerous figures and statistics to show that the Government cannot profitably enter in the business of telegraphy. The Committee, in their report, say that the reason why there is not more telegraphy in this country is because the rates are too high. The figures are all against this assertion. He also stated that wherever a Government had tried this, it has proved an annoyance, a loss and a failure.

THE GOVERNORSHIP OF MONTANA.

The Senate Committee on Territories heard an argument to-day from a delegation of the friends of Governor ASHLEY, of Montana. Mr. POTTS' name is before the Senate to succeed Mr. ASHLEY, and the object of this Committee was to secure a rejection of POTTS and retention of Mr. ASHLEY. The Committee heard their statement and will make their report in a short time. Whether General POTTS is confirmed or not, there is no prospect of the retention of Mr. ASHLEY. That seems to be the decision in high quarters.

Dispatch to the Associated Press.

LANDS WITHDRAWN.

Instructions have been issued to the Surveyor-General at Helena, Montana, to withdraw the lands reserved by the President of the United States at Fort Shaw, in Lewis and Clark Counties, Montana, on the 11th of January last. This reservation embraces forty-six square miles.

REVENUE PROSECUTIONS IN NEW-YORK.

Complaint has been made that Collector BAILEY has multiplied prosecutions in New-York. The District-Attorney has therefore been advised to consolidate them when the public interest would not thereby be prejudiced.

RECEIPTS FROM CUSTOMS.

The customs receipts for the week ending Feb. 19 were as follows: Boston, $[illegible]; New-York, $3,[illegible]; Philadelphia, $128,710; Baltimore, $[illegible]; New-Orleans, (6th to 12th inst.) $207,[illegible]. Total, $1,[illegible].

REVENUE SEIZURE.

Information has reached Commissioner DELANO of the seizure of KILPATRICK's distillery at Chattanooga, Tenn., by revenue officers. Three hundred barrels of whisky were seized.

COST OF PRINTING PUBLIC SECURITIES.

It appears from an official statement that the amounts paid to the several bank note companies for printing notes, bonds and fractional currency, since and during the year 1869, were as follows:

American Bank Note Company	$2,014,608
National	1,354,120
Continental	594,568
Union	5,040
Total	$4,167,943

FORTY-FIRST CONGRESS.

SECOND SESSION.

SENATE...WASHINGTON, Thursday, Feb. 24.

Mr. CAMERON presented the memorial of a Committee of the Common Council and Franklin Institute of Philadelphia, and of the Pennsylvania Legislature, asking Congress to solicitate with the movement for a centennial celebration of the anniversary of American Independence, and to fix the place therefor. Referred.

POLITICAL DISABILITIES.

The House amendment to the Political Disability bill was concurred in.

Mr. WILSON asked unanimous consent to enter a motion to reconsider the vote. Mr. FOWLER objected and the motion was deferred until to-morrow.

BILLS INTRODUCED.

The following bills were introduced and referred:

By Mr. POMEROY—For the sale of the Great and Little Osage Reservations in Kansas, the removal of the Osage Indians and for other purposes. Laid on the table, the Committee having reported on the subject.

By Mr. HARLAN—To aid in the construction of the Burlington and Southwestern Railroad; which was referred to the Committee on Public Lands.

RESOLUTIONS.

Resolutions were introduced and agreed to as follows:

By Mr. CHANDLER—Directing the Secretary of the Treasury to have examined the unfinished construction on the Marine Hospital building, at New-Orleans, with a view to the cost of completing the same, and the substitution of other hospital accommodations at that port.

By Mr. SAULSBURY—Calling upon the President for a copy of any commission or authority issued to Brigadier-General AMES as Provisional Governor of Mississippi, and in the absence of such authority, to inform the Senate under what authority he has acted in that capacity.

NON-EXPANSION OF THE CURRENCY.

Mr. WILLIAMS submitted the following resolution which was agreed to without a division:

Resolved, That to add to the present irredeemable paper currency of the country would be to render more difficult and remote the resumption of specie payments, to encourage the fostering spirit of speculation, to aggravate the evils produced by frequent and sudden fluctuations of values; to depreciate the credit of the nation, and to place the laboring and productive classes, unable to settle down upon a safe and permanent basis. And, therefore, in the opinion of the Senate, the existing volume of such currency ought not to be increased.

THE CIVIL RIGHTS BILL.

Mr. STEWART moved to take up the bill to secure to all persons the equal protection of the laws. It was agreed to by a party vote, yeas 40, nays 9.

Mr. POMEROY inquired whether the bill proposed to alter the law relating to the descent of property of foreigners, or to extend to them the right of position.

Mr. STEWART replied that the bill had nothing to do with those things; that its sole object was the protection of life and property. The bill was then laid aside in consequence of the expiration of the morning hour.

THE NATIONAL FINANCES.

The Funding bill was taken up at the request of Mr. SHERMAN.

Mr. FENTON then said that upon the soundest maxims of finance a bill for the refunding of the public debt would naturally seem to follow instead of precede the appropriation of the public credit. Strictly speaking, public credit is more properly the cause than the effect. No nation can be exempt from the necessity of borrowing. Public credit is no less essential in peace than in war. The history of Great Britain shows that the faithful fulfillment of her obligations has enabled her to borrow at three per cent. interest, and we are now paying six per cent. But if our public credit were what it ought to be, we could convert our debt into four or four and a half per cent. securities. He hoped the present bill would be amended so he would propose, so as to authorize a single bond at four and a half per cent. in the sum of one thousand or twelve hundred millions, not payable for twenty years, at the same time, while reducing the revenues and issuing bonds, effect a gradual contraction by the gradual discontinuance of greenbacks as the new securities would be given in the proportion of specie payments. He did not deem the present rate of taxation essential to the honorable maintenance of the credit. He thought it was now the duty of the Government to relieve the people from the excessive burdens they at present sustain. Taxation should be so regulated as not to trench upon the capital which is the foundation of the prosperity of the people; if we suffer the law to remain unchanged, we actually augment the burdens of the people; to retain the same virtual taxation we must decrease the nominal rate. He believed that the interests of the people even required a positive reduction, not only in the nominal but in the virtual rate of taxation. The system of taxation should also be simplified so that it should apply to few sources, and extend the taxation rather than the necessities of life. In answer to the position of the Senator from Indiana, (STORKER,) who said that the country had not too much currency and that resumption could take place upon the present volume, he said, in fact there is a redundancy of the currency which causes gold to steadily flow abroad, and for this reason the proper proportion to enable resumption cannot be retained. The Senator from Indiana had stated that the currency should expand with our growth in territory and population, and stated the amount of circulation before the war at $[illegible], and further, that our circulation had increased a fifth and our population by nine millions. Mr. FENTON replied that if the first be made the test it would require a volume of only $[illegible] and if the second, it would not require more than $[illegible], and yet we have seven hundred millions; and if the amount of gold necessary to maintain redemption were added it would give us nine hundred or a thousand millions, or double the amount of the estimate of the Senator from Indiana of what existed ten years ago. He stated that the following of the rule, as the basis, would be the ruin of the value of the currency. Easy trade is as something which is needed to the full extent to which it can be absorbed by the country. Finally he deemed the success of the funding scheme desirable, although it would be, in his judgment, greatly improved by the amendment of the House. It is desirable not only because it would involve a reduction of interest, but because it would put an end to the clamor which threatens to violate the public faith and impair the public credit.

Mr. PATTERSON then delivered a speech upon financial topics, in which he showed the necessity of a circulation which should either be gold or redeemable in gold, and that there was a national limit to such circulation; that an overissue of paper depreciated its value and raised prices, and that, by the creation of two currencies of different values, an engine for speculation was started, and that a return to specie payments afforded the only solid basis of business.

THE COLORED SENATOR ELECT.

Upon the conclusion of Mr. PATTERSON's remarks, the Mississippi subject was taken up, the question being upon the motion of Mr. STOCKTON to refer the credentials of Mr. REVELS to the Judiciary Committee.

Mr. SAULSBURY discussed the question of the alleged election and the evidence of it, and said he regretted the introduction of it upon the higher and broader ground which was entertained by his political associates in the Senate, that under the Constitution he (REVELS) was not eligible to a seat in the Senate on the ground of a want of citizenship. He decided that any claim to citizenship could be established by the Civil Rights bill or the Fourteenth Constitutional Amendment, because the Constitution required nine years' previous citizenship of applicants for seats in the Senate, and the requisite nine years since the enactment of the legislation referred to had not elapsed. But it was stated that Mr. REVELS was a citizen prior to this legislation. The answer to that was that the Dred-Scott decision was, at the time of its delivery, the only authoritative exposition of the Constitution on the point that a negro or mulatto was not such a citizen of the United States as was contemplated at the time of the adoption of the Constitution. The principle involved in this decision, he said, had been endorsed by all the Radical legislation, because the Civil Rights bill and the Fourteenth Amendment were based upon the conviction of Congress that at the time of the Dred-Scott decision the negro and free mulattoes were not citizens of the United States. He then went on to argue that it was not competent for any one State to make a citizen of the United States, consequently if Mr. REVELS had ever voted in Ohio, of which there was no evidence, it was a violation of the Constitution of the United States. In conclusion, he remarked he had but little hope for the future of his country. He would exert, if possible, this threatened calamity; he would preserve to our white posterity this heritage bequeathed by our honored and noble country to their white descendants. He recognized, however, that his own efforts would not avail, and therefore, in resuming his seat, he would utter his solemn protest against the proceeding, in behalf of a revolutionized country.

Mr. DRAKE, during the remarks of Mr. SAULSBURY, made the statement that REVELS was neither a negro nor a mulatto, but an octoroon, and that he made the statement out of compassion to the mental sufferings of his friend (Mr. SAULSBURY) upon the probability of his being compelled to associate in the Senate with a jet, black negro.

Mr. SAULSBURY replied that he was not aware of having manifested any feeling of suffering in regard to the admission of the proposed Senator, but being governed by the principle involved, his opposition to the admission of octoroons was based on the same grounds upon which he had endeavored to prevent the fulfillment of the dearest wish of the Senator from Missouri, (Mr. DRAKE,) which was the admission of a negro.

Mr. HOWARD believed the proof of Mr. REVELS' election to be conclusive, and that the only issue now was upon the acceptance or rejection of him as a member on account of the color of his skin. It was urged that he (REVELS) was of African descent and therefore had not been a citizen of the United States for nine years. It was not denied that he was a native-born inhabitant of the United States, nor was it pretended that he was a slave. He (Mr. HOWARD) maintained that every person born in the United States, and who had not been a slave, was a citizen; that nativity imparted citizenship in all countries. He would carry the doctrine as far as he cared that even a black man born a slave was to be held to be a citizen from his birth. Such a one had always owed allegiance to the United States, and allegiance and citizenship were correlative terms. The Dred-Scott decision, in his opinion, was a partisan decision, the purpose of which was to establish, by judicial decision, for all time to come, the legality, the righteousness, and even the piety of slavery, and it had sunk, if not into oblivion, then into eternal derision and contempt. He saw in this election of a colored man to this seat, formerly filled by JEFF. DAVIS, that which he believed would gladden the heart of every lover of freedom.

Mr. WILLIAMS remarked that Chief Justice TANEY expressly limited the Dred Scott decision to those with pure African blood in their veins, and whose ancestors had been sold as slaves; but was there any evidence that the ancestors of Mr. REVELS were in this category? On the contrary it had appeared in the discussion that REVELS was a man with a large proportion of white blood, and it followed, necessarily, that some of his ancestors were not slaves. Upon the whole, in view of all the authorities, legal and otherwise, REVELS had always been a citizen of the United States.

Mr. CAMERON narrated the particulars of an interview between himself and JEFFERSON DAVIS just prior to the war, and before the latter had left the Senate, during which he declared to DAVIS his own conviction that slavery would have ceased from the moment the first gun was fired upon the flag of the country, and that his (DAVIS') seat would some day, in the justice of God, be occupied by a negro. Mr. CAMERON said he had lived to see his assertion verified, and he now wished to remind the Senate how much this colored race had done in the war, and how it was compelled to say this, in view of the attempts of the Senator from Oregon, (Mr. WILLIAMS,) to argue that this man (REVELS) had more white than black blood in his veins. A consideration of that kind was unworthy of any Senator, in view of the great services of the colored soldier; and he (CAMERON) believed the tide of war would have gone against us had it not been for the 250,000 negroes who came to the rescue.

Without action upon the question the Senate, at 4:30 o'clock, adjourned.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

The proceedings opened in the House in the presence of an immense throng in the galleries and corridors.

THE CASE OF MR. WHITTEMORE.

Mr. LOGAN called for the regular order of business, which the Speaker declared to be the resolution for the expulsion of the member from the First District of South Carolina, and on which Mr. LOGAN was entitled to the floor for one hour.

Mr. LOGAN said he would yield all but five minutes of his time to the gentleman from South Carolina.

Mr. WHITTEMORE therefore rose, and in a voice free from tremor or agitation, commenced to read the defence. He had not read more than a few sentences till he was interrupted by the Speaker, who, rising, said:

The Chair is greatly embarrassed by the receipt of a communication which the gentleman from South Carolina has this moment sent to the desk, and consceives it his duty to call the attention of the House to it in order that the House may take such proceeding thereon as may be proper in the circumstances. The Clerk will read the communication.

Mr. WHITTEMORE—I ask suspension of the reading of that communication until I make such remarks as I propose.

The SPEAKER—The chair must order the reading of it in order that his own conduct may be entirely within the rules of the House.

Mr. WHITTEMORE—I recall the paper until I make some remarks.

The SPEAKER—That cannot be done. It is the duty of the Chair to lay before the House the communication, and the Clerk will read it.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 24, 1870.

Hon. J. G. Blaine, Speaker of the House of Representatives:

SIR: I inclose the following communication addressed by telegram on the 23d inst. to the Governor of South Carolina, tendering my seat in Congress, which I now place in your hands. I was not aware that any charge was pending against me, and of course had no opportunity of being heard in my defence. I ask the indulgence of the House while I briefly state the facts in the case.

The following copies of the telegrams to the Governor of South Carolina, resigning his seat, and of the answer from the Governor accepting the same, bear dated Feb. 23.

Mr. WHITTEMORE rose to speak, when the speaker stated that it was not within the province of the Chair to recognize any other, that a member of the House, if the judgment of the House be that the gentleman shall have that power, pertinent to a question, it will be for the House, not for the Chair, so to determine.

Mr. LOGAN said that the precedents had been that where a member of the House rises to address the House the House to determine whether that had constituted the question.

Mr. BLEDSOE made the point that a copy of the telegram from the Governor of South Carolina was no evidence of the acceptance of the resignation.

The Speaker overruled the point of order, and decided that the resignation was a voluntary matter and needed no acceptance.

Mr. BUTLER, of Massachusetts, made the point of order that if Mr. WHITTEMORE was not respect enough to speak, he certainly was not respect enough to be expelled.

The Speaker overruled the point of order, a ruling for the House, not the Chair, to make, unless the House, some other course should be adopted.

Mr. BANKS thought that the House would be put into a great difficulty if it proceeded the doctrine that a member could resign his seat without the consent of the House. There was no such principle of parliamentary law. He (Mr. BANKS) did not think the country knew that a member of a parliamentary body cannot resign without the consent of the House, express or implied. The very constitution of the body required that they should be taken, and all the cases that had arisen in the House were consistent with that rule. The House would escape its present difficulty if it allowed the gentleman from South Carolina to speak in his own behalf. He would then cease to be a member of the House, and the House could vote as it pleased on the resolution.

The Speaker remarked that the uniform practice of the House had been the reverse of the principle indicated by the gentleman from Massachusetts. The case of MADISON in the Thirty-fourth Congress was directly in point. When the Forty-second Congress, already the Secretary of the Treasury and the Minister to France had resigned their seats in the House, and the gentleman from Massachusetts himself went through the same process when he was elevated to the Governorship chair of Massachusetts.

Mr. BAINES said that in those cases the consent of the House was implied, and instead that if this House established the precedent that any member could cease to be a member without its consent it would destroy the character of the House, and that it ought not to be permitted.

Mr. LOGAN asked that the House should determine whether or not Mr. WHITTEMORE was now a member.

The SPEAKER said that in accordance with the uniform practice of the House, from the foundation of the Government, he had ceased to recognize Mr. WHITTEMORE as a member of the House, and the way to test the sense of the House on the subject was to appeal from the decision of the Chair.

Mr. LOGAN said he would not do so.

Mr. FARNSWORTH said he would do so *pro forma*.

Mr. COX moved to lay the appeal on the table. Agreed to.

The Speaker mentioned, as an additional precedent, the resignation of the members from the Southern States at a time when there were the highest reasons of State and national importance against the acceptance of their resignations.

Mr. DAWES, of Massachusetts, regarded this as a point of vital importance, and it seemed to him so dangerous a precedent to be established that a member could resign whether the House willed it or not, that he desired to put his opinion on the record against it. The Constitution clothed the House with power to expel a member, but if a member could escape punishment by merely resigning, whether the House willed it or not, all power to control the House was at an end. The House could be left at any moment without a quorum by a given number of members sending a paper of resignation to the desk. He did not understand that to be parliamentary law. He knew that resignations had heretofore been considered effective because there had been no occasion to question them. They had the implied assent of the House.

Mr. FARNSWORTH, with the consent of Mr. LOGAN, moved that the resolution of expulsion be laid on the table. Agreed to without a division.

Thereupon Mr. LOGAN offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That R. B. F. WHITTEMORE, late member from the First District of South Carolina, did make and publish a false and scandalous letter to the Superintendent of the Naval Academy at Annapolis in violation of the law, and that such unprofitable wrong influenced by pecuniary considerations, and that his conduct in the premises has been such as to show him unworthy of a seat in the House of Representatives, and therefore is considered as conduct unworthy of a representative of the people.

Mr. BUTLER, of Massachusetts, asked unanimous consent that Mr. WHITTEMORE be heard on that resolution.

Mr. MORGAN objected.

The vote was taken on the resolution, and it was adopted unanimously—yeas 185, nays none. This vote ended the proceedings in the case.

THE LEGISLATIVE APPROPRIATIONS.

The House then went into the consideration of the Legislative Appropriation bill in Committee of the Whole, Mr. CESENA in the chair, which was the signal for a general thinning out of the audience in the galleries.

The session of the Committee continued until 4 o'clock, when it got through the bill and rose and reported it to the House. All the amendments were agreed to in a lump except that appropriating $25,000 for the Mint at Carson City, Nev., and that appropriating $14,500 for the Bureau of Education, on which separate votes were asked. Without disposing of these two the House at 4:6 o'clock adjourned.

CUBA.

The Captain-General and the Volunteers—Recent Troubles in Cardenas—Firmness of Rodas—Skirmish with Filibusters—Execution of Cuban Prisoners—The Volunteers and the Greenwald Murder.

From Our Own Correspondent.

HAVANA, Saturday, Feb. 19, 1870.

The irrepressible volunteers are beginning to "haul in their horns" to a certain extent, and they are no longer permitted to have their own way in everything. RODAS has not surrendered to them in a single instance, and if the Spaniards are once enabled to retire their troops from the seat of war, or if a respectable force of regulars should be quartered in Havana, the Government will quietly but firmly take the power once more in its own hands. RODAS will not permit the rabble to constitute itself Judge, jury, accuser and hangman. Seven volunteers who had committed various crimes, from attempts to assassinate to burglary, were sent by the last steamer to Spain as prisoners for Ceuta; among them was the Drum Major of the seventh Battalion. Five members of the Fifth Volunteer Battalion who were connected with the cowardly and brutal assassination of GREENWALD, are in the Cabana; their friends go from house to house and threaten to wreak vengeance on the persons of such as should dare to declare against the assassins; but, nevertheless, I have no doubt that the Government will be enabled to accumulate sufficient testimony in order to shoot the principals connected with the assassination.

THE TROUBLE IN CARDENAS.

The row in Cardenas, or rather the one attempted, ended very ludicrously. The Governor and people demanded that the Government grant the necessary permission to hold a Fair, which was acceded to. But the Governor of Cardenas, instead of holding simply a Fair, sold permission to some gamblers to open their establishments, and monte, faro and other hazard games were openly carried on. The Captain-General heard of it, and immediately sent Colonel ARNAOS, the Governor, an order to hold himself in readiness, and report himself at Santiago de Cuba for further orders. The volunteers hearing of this action, sent a telegram to the Captain-General requesting him to annul his order, and declaring that they would not have any other Governor except the one who had just accepted bribes to allow gambling. The Governor himself telegraphed to the Captain-General that evening that 6,000 people, between volunteers and citizens, were then before the palace, all of them swearing that he (ARNAOS) should remain. RODAS replied coolly:

"Never mind the six thousand; you will take the first train in the morning and come to Havana, delivering your command on receipt of this. If anything is committed contrary to law in your city, I shall take measures to have the offenders seriously punished."

Did the volunteers rebel? Nothing of the sort. The commanders of the different volunteer battalions sent a telegram to RODAS on the following morning, disowning on behalf of themselves and their commands any complicity in the telegram said to have been forwarded. RODAS grinned, and that ended the matter, except that Colonel ARNAOS, as an old friend and acquaintance of RODAS, has been more severely punished than any other officer would have been.

THE SCHOONER HERALD.

The Havana schooner *Herald*, which drifted on the reefs near Gibarra on the 16th inst., during a heavy norther, had thirty-six Cubans on board, among them two colored men and a Chinaman. The expedition was commanded by General GENTUMA, of Zeliton, &c., fame, and if the weather had not interfered, the schooner and her cargo would undoubtedly have been landed at Punta de Melas. The Captain of the schooner was ELOY CANAONO, the former Pilot of the steamer *Comodoriano*, which was captured by him, and then recaptured by the Spaniards, and is now doing duty as a gunboat under the name of the Gervica. The Gibarra volunteers, after landing such arms from the wrecked schooner as they could get out, went in search of the filibusters, and managed to meet them at the Rebalosa and Sierra de Socarrosa. They killed seven and captured four, who were executed at Holguin on the 14th inst. One of the four had been a clerk in the Havana Post Office, two were telegraph operators in Havana, and the fourth was a ship carpenter from Regla. After landing they were reinforced by the Cubans, commanded by PANCHITO CANAONO, who was killed in the first encounter. The filibusters rallied heavily, killing two Cubans volunteers and several citizens, besides a number wounded. It is stated by the Diario that the remainder of the expedition was surrounded in the Sierra de Socarrosa, and that they would not be able to escape. Those who were shot stated that every man on disembarking took only a side and twenty-one rounds of ammunition.

SANTA ANNA.

The veteran SANTA ANNA is still in the city. A plan is maturing to smuggle him out of the city by some means and enable him to reach N

DISASTER ON THE MISSISSIPPI.

The Steamer Emma, No. 2, Captained and Partly Owned, Blown Up Near Lake Providence, Mississippi—Many Lives Lost.

From the Cincinnati Gazette, Feb. 22.

The steamer Emma, No. 2, Captain JAMES H. MARATTA, left here for New-Orleans on the night of the 14th of February, with all the freight she could carry. Indeed, so much did she have aboard, that the beams and model she carried, were standing in the water on deck. She got to New-Orleans safely, discharged her cargo, took on several hundred tons of Scotch pig iron, imported wines, &c., and departed again for Cincinnati. Memphis was reached with safety. When she left there she had about fifty passengers and had added 400 bales of cotton to her cargo. This was probably Saturday evening. When she reached the foot of Island No. 35, nearly fifty miles above Memphis, she struck a snag, tearing a large hole on her bow, which caused her to sink gradually. In sinking, some of her stoves were upset, and thus she took fire. From the time of the first alarm, the utmost excitement prevailed. Many of the passengers were panic stricken. Captain MARATTA promptly manned a flatboat for the purpose of rescuing the ladies on board, but the crowd that got aboard of it almost immediately swamped it. Captain MARATTA then ordered the assistance of the officers of the boat to make floats of cotton bales, &c., and on these many passengers paddled to shore in safety. Several, however, of passengers and crew died from cold and exhaustion after reaching the shore. The survivors were brought to Cairo by the steamer Osborne. Among the saved, so far as learned by dispatches up to yesterday noon, were the following: John Fawcett, Cincinnati; William Beach, Cincinnati; Peter Miller, Louisville; William Roderbugh, Wheeling; Abe Howard, Dayton; Jas. Thompson, Cincinnati; Jas. Adam, P. Fuller, Owensboro; Jacob Sloat, Cincinnati; J. G. Cameron and James Stafford, Mount Vernon, Ind.; Thomas English, Cincinnati; John Derricks, Greenville; James Maneta, Captain; Caleb Marston; Mate; David Foster, second clerk; Chaney, saloon keeper; Jas. Parkin, second steward; Parkin, cook; Charles Brown, the porter; Wm. Attenborough, pilot; and the head chambermaid. The names of the lost, reported up to the same time by the clerk of the Osborne, at Cairo, were as follows: Otto Johnson, of New-Orleans; James Wright, of Lexington, Ky.; John Coyle, backwoods, of Cincinnati; the French merchant, of New-Orleans, name unknown, in charge of a lot of wines; Linebarger, first engineer; Mrs. Lewis and daughter, Covington, Ky.; second chambermaid, colored; Thos. Trennell, pilot, supposed lost; three ladies from New-Orleans, Memphis and Louisville, respectively, name unknown; Walter Manson, first clerk; Thos. Flynn, St. Louis; Wm. Forster, second engineer; James Chapman, two firemen and a roustabout, and twenty others. Mr. McFarland and his son, engineer Linebarger died from exhaustion after reaching shore. The boat now lying in Cairo with her stern in the water, and her stern in twelve feet of water. None of the survivors are expected at Memphis on the *Nightingale*. The first clerk, WALTER MARATTA, lost his life while nobly making it an attempt to save a lady passenger. The above is all that was learned of the accident, from the dispatches that were received up to dark.

The *Emma No. 2* was a stern wheel boat of 600 tons capacity, built at Pittsburg by Captain JAMES H. MARATTA and others, in 1866. Her length was 180 feet; beam, 35 feet; hold, 6½ feet. Her original cost was $80,000. Previous to her last trip from here, Captain MARATTA and Mr. J. G. Island, of this city, purchased the boat. When she was destroyed she was valued at $60,000, and insured for $45,000 in the following Pittsburg offices: Eureka, $5,000; Manufacturers and Merchants', $3,000; Citizens', $5,000; Pittsburg, $3,000, and Monongahela, $2,000. Capt. JAMES H. MARATTA, one of her pilots, who lost his life, was a good steamboat man, and had few faults in his character. He had previously been in the employ of the Government as Captain of one of the snagboats. Mr. WALTER MARATTA, the chief clerk, of whom the Dispatch says he forfeited his life in the effort to save the life of a lady, was an estimable young man, who leaves a widow to mourn for him. He had been married scarce a year.

The following was received after 9 o'clock last night:

CAIRO, Feb. 21.—The following are the particulars of the accident to the *Emma No. 2*, as far as have as yet been known. They are derived from the clerk of the Columbiana: The *Emma No. 2*, JAS. MARATTA, Captain, and WALTER MARATTA, clerk, bound from New-Orleans to Cincinnati, laden with groceries and pig iron, left Memphis at midnight, Friday, 18th, after taking 400 bales of cotton. When in the chute of Island No. 35, about fifty miles above Memphis, on Saturday, at 10 A. M., she struck a snag and commenced filling with water. Every effort to back the boat off the snag, to get her to shore, or to stop the leak, was unavailing, and the officers prepared to send the ladies and children ashore in the yawl. At this juncture the steamer careened, upsetting her stoves, and setting fire to the boat in so many places that it was impossible to extinguish the flames. The passengers became panic stricken, and many, the yawl containing only about a dozen persons, left the wreck in a mad attempt to escape. The yawl was swamped, and many of the passengers drowned. The boat was burned to the water's edge, and sunk in about twenty minutes. The following are the names of those who left the wreck in the yawl: Pilot ATTEBOROUGH, Pilot ATTEBOROUGH, two firemen, and a roustabout, and twenty others. Mr. McFarland and his son, engineer Linebarger died from exhaustion after reaching shore. The boat now lying in Cairo with her stern in the water, and her stern in twelve feet of water. None of the survivors are expected at Memphis on the *Nightingale*. The first clerk, WALTER MARATTA, lost his life while nobly making it an attempt to save a lady passenger. The above is all that was learned of the accident, from the dispatches that were received up to dark.

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E. H. HUDSON, Plaintiff's Attorney,
Tarrytown, N. Y.

The complaint in the above-entitled action was duly filed in the office of the Clerk of Westchester County on the fifth day of February, 1870.

E. H. HUDSON,
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WANTED—A PROTESTANT GIRL AS COOK, washer and ironer, in a small private family; good City references required. Apply at No. 31 West 34th-st., before noon Friday and Saturday.

WANTED—A GERMAN GIRL TO DO GENeral housework. Apply at No. 8 Mount-st., Brooklyn.

BANKRUPT NOTICES.

THIS IS TO GIVE NOTICE—THAT ON the 15th day of February, A. D. 1870, a warrant in bankruptcy was issued against the estate of HENRY P. CLARK, R. SPENCER WEST, MARVIN R. MAXWELL and WILLIAM R. DAVIS, of the City of New-York, in the County of New-York and State of New-York, Copartners, doing business as such, and who have been adjudged bankrupts on their own petition; that the payment of any debts and delivery of any property belonging to such bankrupts, to them or their use, are forbidden by law; that a meeting of the creditors of the said bankrupts, to prove their debts and to choose one or more assignees of their estate, will be held at a Court of Bankruptcy, to be holden at the office of the Register, No. 22 Broadway, in the City of New-York, Room No. 4, before Lucien Sanford, Esq., on the 23d day of March, A. D. 1870, at 11 o'clock A. M.

S. R. HARLOW, United States Marshal,
as Messenger, Southern District of New-York.

IN BANKRUPTCY.—IN THE DISTRICT Court of the United States for the Southern District of New-York.—In the matter of HAUSWELL BLAKE, Bankrupt.—Notice is hereby given that a petition has been filed in said County by said Bankrupt, Field of the City of New-York, in said district, duly declared a bankrupt, under the act of Congress of March 2, 1867; that debts and certificates issued from all his debts and property, provided under said act, and that the 23d day of March, 1870, at 1 o'clock P. M. at the office of Isaac T. Wilkinson, Esq., Register in Bankruptcy, No. 27 Broadway, in the City of New-York, is appointed for the hearing of the said petition, when and where all creditors who have proved their debts and other persons in interest may attend and show cause why the prayer of said petition of the said bankrupt should not be granted. Given under my hand, at New-York, the 15th day of February, 1870.

GEO. P. BETTS, Clerk.

IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF THE United States for the Southern District of New-York.—In the matter of FRANCIS S. DRISCOLL, GEORGE FARMER, Bankrupts.—In Bankruptcy.—George E. Palmer, one of the said bankrupts, having applied to the Court for a discharge from his debts; By order of the Court, Notice is hereby given to all creditors of said bankrupts, to show cause if any they have, why the said petitioner should not be discharged from his debts and other provable claims, as prayed for in his petition, and why the said petitioner should not be entitled to the benefits of the act of Congress, passed on the 2d day of March, A. D. 1867, and the acts amendatory thereof, pursuant to the 29th and 30th sections of the said act. Notice is hereby given that a meeting of the creditors of the said bankrupts will be held at the office of Wm. D. Dwight, Esq., Register in Bankruptcy, No. 2 Broadway, New-York City, on WEDNESDAY, March 9, 1870, at 10 o'clock A. M., for the purposes named in the second section of the said act of Congress entitled, "An act to establish a uniform system of bankruptcy throughout the United States," approved March 2, 1867.—New-York, Feb. 24, 1870.

JAMES M. VAN VLECK,
Assignee, &c., of said bankrupts.

PUBLIC NOTICES.

SUPREME COURT.—IN THE MATTER of the application of the Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty of the City of New-York, relative to the opening of Sixty-ninth-street, from Third-av. to Sixty-sixth-street, and Sixty-seventh-street, in the City of New-York.—We the undersigned Commissioners, appointed in the above-entitled matter, hereby give notice to the owner or owners, occupant or occupants, of all houses and lots and improved or unimproved lands affected thereby, and to all others whom it may concern, to wit: First—That we have completed our estimate and assessment, and that all persons interested in the said proceeding, or in any of the lands affected thereby, and who may be required by the same, to present their objections in writing, duly verified, to George E. Van Brunt, Esq., our Chairman, at the office of the Commissioners, No. 13 Wall-street, (Room No. 6,) in this City, on or before the 6th day of March, 1870, and that we, the said Commissioners, will meet parties at our office within the ten week days next after the said 6th day of March, and for that purpose will be in attendance at our said office on each of said 10 days, at 10 o'clock M. Second—That the abstract of the said estimate and assessment, with a map or plan annexed, also all the necessaries, estimates and other documents which were used by us in making our report, have been deposited in the Street Commissioner's office in the City of New-York, there to remain until the 10th day of March, 1870. Third—That the lands and premises affected by the said proceeding are as follows, to wit: All those lots, pieces or parcels of land in the City of New-York, bounded and described, and contained within the following limits, that is to say, on the west by a line parallel to Third-avenue, and distant one hundred and ten feet westerly from the westerly side thereof; on the east by a line parallel to Third-avenue, and distant one hundred and ten feet easterly from the easterly side thereof; on the north by the center line of Sixty-ninth-street; and on the south by the center line of the blocks between Sixty-sixth and Sixty-seventh-streets; on the south by the north-erly side of Sixty-third-street; on the east by a line parallel to the City of New-York, on the 19th day of March, 1870, at the opening of the Court on that day, and that then and there, or at such other time as counsel may be heard thereon, a motion will be made that the said report be confirmed.—Dated New-York, Jan. 31, 1870.

GEORGE E. VAN BRUNT,
ALEXANDER FERAL,
HIRAM SMITH, } Commissioners.

AMUSEMENTS.

BOWERY THEATRE.

EVERY EVENING EXCEPT SATURDAY, SOLD OUT.

HAMLET.

MATINEE SATURDAY, Feb. 26, at 2.

SATURDAY EVENING, Feb. 26, EMMA WALLER, as BIANCA.

In Rev. H. H. Milman's Tragedy, in five acts, of FAZIO.

For the better accommodation of the public the box office will be open from 10 to 4.

TWO WEEKS IN ADVANCE.

Seats may be secured at the Theatre, of at the branch ticket office, at the music store of C. H. Ditson & Co., No. 615 Broadway.

THEATRE FRANÇAIS.

LA DAME BLANCHE.

FRIDAY EVENING, FEB. 25, at 8 o'clock.

BENEFIT OF M. GIRERDSHUCK.

FIRST TIME IN FRENCH.

IN SOUBLIGNY'S FAMOUS COMIC OPERA, LA DAME BLANCHE.

Mme. GIRERDSHUCK, Mlles. Lemoine, Mons. GUERETTI and BRIOU and Mesdames DUCHESNE, GENOT,

LOCAL NEWS IN BRIEF.

NEW-YORK.

Yesterday WILLIAM WARTHMAN, 28 years of age, living at No. 426 West Forty-first-street, in a fit of insanity, jumped out of a second-story window to the sidewalk, and escaped with no more serious injury than breaking his ankle and receiving some serious bruises. He was sent to Bellevue Hospital.

At a meeting of the Executive Committee of the National Board of Fire Underwriters, held at No. 164 Broadway yesterday, a resolution was passed referring the question of rates throughout the country to the local Boards, with power to govern and regulate them. Rates had been previously fixed by the Executive Committee here. The meeting also authorized the continuation of the Committee which had been appointed for the purpose of procuring signatures to the new constitution, and ordered them to report at the next meeting, on the third Wednesday in April.

Last evening Mr. JOHN BANVARD, artist, poet and traveler, delivered a new lecture entitled "What I Saw in Egypt" in the chapel of the University, Washington-square, for the benefit of the "Sisters of the Stranger." The lecture illustrated his narrative by means of a grand panoramic view of the Bible battle fields and the cities of the ancients. Prior to the lecturer's appearance before the audience, Mr. W. E. RAYNARD, organist of Christ Church, Fifth-avenue, performed several pieces upon the school organ. The attendance was scanty.

Hon. SEWARD L. WOODFORD delivered his popular lecture on Phil. SHERIDAN and his famous operations in the Shenandoah Valley, before a large assemblage at the Cooper Institute, last evening. The proceeds will be given to the Centre-street Mission.

Professor NOYES delivered his last lecture of a course of four to-night at the Young-Men's Christian Association Hall. His subject was "Sound," combining some of hearing, construction of the ear, effect of explosions on the ear, &c.

Yesterday the distribution of semi-annual certificates was made in Grammar School No. 20, on the Tenth Ward, of which Miss MARY MACLAY is principal. The exercises were varied and interesting, numerous songs, recitations, dialogues, &c. Addresses were made by Wm. C. COVEN, Esq., and Mr. WOODWELL. The distribution of the certificates was witnessed by a large number of residents of the Tenth Ward.

LUCAS H. DEYO was brought before Commissioner SHIELDS yesterday, charged with having obtained $63 38 from the Sub-Treasury on a forged pension check. It appears that DEYO in some way came in possession of a pension check made payable to G. P. TITUS, or order, and it is alleged that he altered the check with the name purported to be the signature of TITUS, and drew the money the check called for from Mr. BARTON, the paying teller in the Sub-Treasury, in November last. The accused was held in $1,000 bail to answer.

It was reported yesterday that Assistant District-Attorney PURDY had presented the facts in the Finn bribery case to the Grand Jury, in order to have the accused indicted.

There was a large attendance at the regular meeting of the Polytechnic branch of the Cooper Institute last evening. Professor TILLMAN BENEDICT read a paper on the "Admirable discoverer on the formation of the South American continent. Considered as to its geological construction and geographical situation, which was at various stages of its delivery loudly applauded. Mr. J. R. FIRMIN followed with a paper, illustrated by a lantern, on a theory of constructing boilers, original with himself, by which he apportions the steam space throughout the whole diameter of the boiler, instead of putting it all on top of the layer of water from which the steam is generated. This paper was particularly interesting to engineers, boiler makers and others, of whom large numbers were present.

The delegates of the Great Southern Railroad Convention, now in session at Baltimore, have accepted an invitation from the New-York and Baltimore Railroad line to visit New-York, and will leave by special train at 9:30 A. M. today.

We have received $5 from "A Stranger," for the family of the murdered man TOWNSEND.

The second annual soirée and concert of the St. Andrew's Division, No. 350, of the Sons of Temperance came off last evening at Tremor's Lyric Hall, Forty-second-street and Sixth-avenue. Upwards of 600 persons were in attendance, and the managers, Messrs. BURTON, BURNFIELD and SIMPSON, acquitted themselves to the entire satisfaction of all. The entertainment commenced at 8 o'clock, and was continued up to 12:30.

An examination took place yesterday in the case of GEORGE ARMSTRONG and AMPHOSS MINNERLY, charged with having attempted to blackmail Mr. Wm. Wallace Chambers, named JOHN ZORES and JOHN H. BENJMAN, by means of personating revenue officers.

At a meeting of the Board of Police yesterday, acting Captain CHARLES McDONNELL, of the Twenty-eighth Precinct, was promoted to the full rank. A resolution was adopted directing the Superintendent to furnish the procession on St. Patrick's Day with a sufficient escort to preserve order.

The Executive Committee of the Twentieth Assembly District Union Republican Association organized last evening by the election of WM. H. BENJAMIN as Chairman and SAMUEL W. STEVENS as Secretary.

The red ball at Central Park did not announce skating yesterday. There is a possibility of its going up to-day.

At the Jefferson Market Police Court yesterday, before Judge SCOTT, CHARLES NASHBOR, WILLIAM SULLIVAN and PETER CHENY were charged with breaking into the clothing establishment of JAMES KENNEDY, No. 4 East Twenty-third-street, on Wednesday evening, and attempting to steal $1,600. The prisoners were observed to enter the premises by JOHN QUIGLEY, by means of a "jimmy," and he caused their arrest. They were held to answer.

EDWARD DUNHAM was on Tuesday arrested in the premises No. 56 Greenwich-street by Officer MCGOWAN, of the Twenty-seventh Precinct. The prisoner had obtained access to the store by breaking a large pane of glass, through which he was seen to crawl by a boy. The store is occupied by a Mr. SIBLEY, pop-corn manufacturer, who is absent in the West. Alderman MOORE sent DUNHAM to the Island for sixty days.

Adjoining the Gold Exchange entrance, in Broad-street, is TOM RILEY'S saloon. The place has been entered by burglars four times in as many months. The last burglary was committed on Monday night, when $40 worth of cigars were stolen. The burglar was captured.

THOMAS HUGHES, a boy, was arraigned before Alderman MOORE yesterday, charged by ANTHONY DEVERE, of New-Jersey, with assault. The complainant was induced to enter a "bogus" jewelry store at No. 614 Broadway, and subsequently taken to a saloon near by, where the assault was committed. DEVERE was first knocked down by some man and severely cut in the face by kicks from HUGHES' foot. The boy was remanded on a charge of disorderly conduct. Subsequently, two dashing-looking men appeared and interceded for the boy, inducing the Alderman to release him.

Yesterday JOHN S. GRIGGS, formerly an employe in the wholesale liquor establishment of GORDON, FELLOWS & McMILLAN, but more recently a material witness for the Government in the Martin B. Cook whisky case, was appointed, as is alleged, to a position as Deputy Collector in the Thirty-second Revenue District.

Coroner FLYNN was notified yesterday to hold an inquest on the body of LOUIS GRAND, aged 10 years, who died at No. 61½ Division-street, from the effects of burns accidentally received a few days before.

The man who dropped dead in Thirty-fifth-street on Wednesday, was yesterday recognized as JOHN DUNN, aged 65 years, and for many years a servant for General JOHN A. DIX.

Coroner SCHIRMER held an inquest yesterday, in the basement of CHRISTOPHER COYLE'S lodging house, No. 336 Water-street, over the remains of KATE BERCHLT, aged 65, whose death was caused by injuries sustained on Tuesday by her falling over the side of a ship at the foot of Wall-street. Verdict in accordance with the facts.

CATHARINE DEMPSEY was arraigned before Alderman MOONEY yesterday at the Tombs, to answer a charge of stealing $110 from the person of JOHN MURPHY, of No. 267½ Cedar-street. The complainant saw the theft committed, Officer HAGAN, of the Fourth Precinct, found the money in the possession of the accused, and CATHARINE confessed her guilt. Upon so clear a statement of facts the prisoner was fully committed for trial.

CORONER ROLLINS held an inquest yesterday, at No. 974 Ninth-avenue, over the remains of Mrs. BRIDGET MCKEOGHEN, aged 78, a native of Ireland, who, in a wild paroxysm of insanity, leaped from a second-story window of her residence at 9 o'clock yesterday morning and was killed. A verdict in accordance with the facts was rendered.

Mr. EDWARD SHIELDS, aged 68, of No. 118 West Eighteenth-street, died suddenly yesterday in his wheelwright shop, No. 183 Eldridge-street. Coroner KESSLER was notified.

GORDON RIPLEY, alias Clark, was arrested in this City on Monday, by Detective RUNKIN of the Central Police, on a charge of having defrauded JAMES T. SERGANT, of Washington, D. C., of $160, by means of a worthless check. The accused was, yesterday, sent to Washington to answer the charge.

Assistant District-Attorney PURDY introduced further testimony for the Government before Commissioner SHIELDS, yesterday, in the case of THOS. RYAN, a wholesale liquor dealer, charged with having violated the Internal Revenue law.

At a late hour last evening PATRICK DARGON, aged 24, a native of Ireland, residing at No. 326 West Forty-fourth-street, and driver of car No. 7 of the Tenth-avenue line, fell over the dash board of his car in West-street, and was killed, the wheels passing over his body. An inquest will be held to-day at the Leonard-street Police Station by Coroner SCHIRMER.

JAS. MULCAHY, of No. 204 Charlton-street, was arrested last evening at the Eighth Ward for intoxication, and having sustained a severe injury on the head by a fall, was sent to Bellevue Hospital.

Yesterday was a cold, windy day. During the evening the northwest wind blew at quite a furious gale. This, with the mercury in the thermometer on a falling grade, rendered the cold peculiarly penetrating. The thermometer at 6 A. M. stood at 26°; at sunrise, 24°; 9 A. M., 29°; 11 P. M., 21°. The barometrical register for 6 A. M. was 30.64 inches; at noon, 30.36; at 6 P. M., 30.06; at 11 P. M., 29.86. The wind at 7 A. M. was from the east; at noon, N.N.W.; during the evening, N.W.

The German Republican Club of the Eighth Assembly District held a regular monthly meeting at the Tenth Ward Hotel, corner of Broome and Forsyth streets, last night. Mr. WM. GELLMANN presided. Beyond revising the Constitution, no business of importance was transacted.

The adjourned meeting of United States Assessors was held in secret session yesterday afternoon, and decided some important matters relating to internal taxes. It begins to be understood that these meetings are rather in the disadvantage of the average taxpayer. A remark to this effect was, in fact, overheard there yesterday. We will see the result, however, in the report to be published to-morrow.

The Apollo Hall was alive last evening with fair women and brave men, the occasion being the William Walsh Association Ball. Among the guests invited were Budget Bloomer, Lord Ledwith and McGuire, Mr. Wm. Walsh and family, and Mr. and Mrs. E. P. Walsh. During the evening other distinguished guests made their appearance, and by midnight the assemblage was very large and brilliant.

At 11:30 o'clock last night a fire occurred in the stable of SMITH & COGEROSS, No. 107 East Forty-first-street, when the edifice was destroyed, together with two valuable horses. Total loss $2,000; not insured. The flames are believed to be of incendiary origin.

BROOKLYN.

The alleged counterfeiter, J. B. DOYLE, was discharged yesterday in default of any appearance of the United States authorities to warrant his detention.

Skating proceeds briskly at the rink and at the various ponds. Should the frost hold, a carnival will be held on Saturday evening at the rink.

The inspection of Public Buildings Bureau appears to be doomed. Its duties will probably be transferred to the Fire Board, and some modification will probably be attempted on the stringency of its provisions with reference to fire escapes, as also on its discretionary power in the remission of penalties.

The carpenter shop of WILLIAM VAUSS, on Clarkson-street, near Flatbush-avenue, was destroyed by fire yesterday morning. Loss about $2,000.

A charge of highway robbery has been preferred by WILLIAM CROSBY against a young man 18 years of age, called JAMES MCNALLY. He is charged with having waylaid CROSBY on the night of the 19th, and after stabbing him in the hand, robbed him of $7.

Yesterday afternoon PATRICK BRENNAN and eight others who were arrested for cock fighting in the saloon of the aforesaid BRENNAN, in Nassau-street, were discharged by Justice WALSH, owing to the non-appearance of Mr. HUNTER, the representative of Mr. BERGH'S Association. The demand of the Grand Jury, expected on Saturday, with reference to Justice BUCKLEY'S attempt to render Mr. BERGH powerless, will probably give the community another chance of treating these gentry according to their deserts.

The report of the Long Island College Hospital for 1869 shows that the total number of indoor patients treated during the year was 807, against 681 in 1868. Of these there were discharged cured 516, improved 190, leaving in the Hospital on the 31st December, 90. At the outdoor department, 1,098 patients were treated during the year. The number of new prescriptions put up was 12,694. The total cost of maintaining the Hospital and Dispensary, $10,619 88.

The investigation into the case of GEORGE JUDSON for alleged embezzlement of Post Office funds was resumed before Commissioner JONES yesterday. The only witness examined was JOSEPH DONOHUE, whose testimony was mainly to the effect that on a certain date Mr. JUDSON had given him credit for twenty-one cents less than he returned. The case was adjourned for further investigation.

LONG ISLAND.

Wednesday night burglars visited the premises of Mr. THOMAS HOWARD, West Flushing, and forced an entrance through one of the rear windows of the store. They entered the apartment of Mr. CHARLES H. DWYER, who has rooms over the store, and stole a quantity of clothing, but probably becoming frightened left.

Yesterday morning the conductor of the first train west on the Flushing and New-York Railroad noticed two suspicious characters who had a couple of bags of some unknown plunder. He notified his baggage master, and the two detectives met the gentlemen on the arrival of the train at Hunter's Point. But when within a mile of the village the men jumped from the train while under full headway, and escaped in the woods.

The people near Freeport, Baldwinsville and Christian Hook are working themselves into a fever on the Mormon question. A Mormon meeting lately held at East Meadow was broken up by the entire audience turning the room in forces and ordering the Latter-day Saints to leave, threatening them, unless they desisted from attempting to convert their wives and daughters. The citizens of Freeport say that they have talked enough, and now propose to act; so it is expected that exciting times are in store for the good people of that section.

A Mr. MCCULLEN, a painter, had a narrow escape from a frightful death yesterday after-noon at Hunter's Point. He was near the top of a long ladder which was leaning against the house that he was engaged in painting, when it slipped and he fell to the ground, injuring himself severely, but it is hoped not fatally. One leg was broken and there were quite a number of flesh wounds upon his body.

A few nights since an old man, name unknown, in endeavoring to catch the boat on the Thirty-fourth-street ferry, jumped into the slip, but was rescued by the ferry hands. This is the second time within two weeks that the same kind of accident, on the same boat, has taken place. In the first case the accident terminated fatally.

The following are the newly-elected officers of Cornucopia Lodge, No. 562, F. and A. M., Flushing: R. W. L. Bradford Prince, M.; George People, S. W.; Alexander Rogers, J. W.; S. C. Seaman, Treasurer; W. H. D. Hulme, Secretary; E. Platt Stratton, S. D.; J. Reade Tucker, J. D.; J. L. Boardman, S. M. C.; F. R. Mumford, J. M. C.; Rev. J. C. Smith, S. T. D.; Rev. E. S. Fairchild, Rev. R. N. Abball, Chaplains; M. R. Vedder, M. D., J. L. Hicks, M. D., J. K. Morris, M. D., A. Bloodgood, M. D., and A. W. Rogers, M. D., Surgeons; Henry Carpenter, Marshal; W. J. R. Clark, Tyler.

NEW-JERSEY.

Yesterday afternoon ADOLPH and HERMAN SCHALK, of Newark, requested Justice MILLS to issue a warrant for the arrest of RICHARD WILLIAMS, saloon keeper, on a charge of larceny. The complainants stated that they furnished WILLIAMS' saloon with liquor and billiard tables to the amount of $800, for which they have since received but part payment. WILLIAMS lately, as alleged, removed the tables, and, not having liquidated the complainants' claim, maintain the tables are their property and WILLIAMS is guilty of larceny for so doing. The Justice refused to issue the warrant.

The building known as Sportsman's Hall, located upon the Hackensack road, near the Secaucus turnpike, was entirely destroyed by fire last night. The loss amounted to $2,500, and was covered by insurance to the amount of $1,600.

A correspondent declares that the statement in our account of the "Count Von Bolow" that he was a member of the Second-street Baptist Church of Elizabeth, is a mistake. He never resided in Elizabeth, and never even attended the church in question. As far as his religious convictions go—if he has any—he is a Lutheran.

At a meeting of the New-Jersey Washington Monument Association, at Trenton, the following officers were redicted for the ensuing year: Ex-Governor CHARLES S. OLDEN, Treasurer, THOMAS J. STRYKER; Secretary, WHITFIELD L. JOHNSON. It was resolved to ask the Legislature for an appropriation of $10,000 towards the erection of the proposed monument, provided the Committee obtain the remaining $50,000 to complete the work.

Miss MIDY MORGAN, of New-York City, lectured on "Rolo" last evening in Hoboken, at the Lyceum Hall, before a large and intelligent audience. The proceeds went for the support of the free library of the institution. Arrangements are being made to induce Miss MORGAN to deliver the same lecture in this City.

BRADY'S Curriculum and Skating Rink, Jersey City, was filled to the utmost last evening with the knights of the steel and their fair friends. The ice was in excellent condition. During the evening Mr. A. F. WOLCOTT, the "Yankee Boy" and skating comedian, gave an exhibition of the "mishaps of a new beginner on skates," (in costume,) which created roars of laughter and applause. A large delegation from the New-York and Hoboken Clubs were on the ice. A fine band discoursed excellent music. Mr. WOLCOTT will appear again Saturday evening.

JAMES O'NEILL, the Surrogate of Hudson County, who was recently removed to the Lunatic Asylum, at Trenton, died in that institution yesterday morning.

There is a woman named Mrs. HUSBAND, residing in Elizabeth, who is 106 years old.

Owing to the dearth of business, a number of the hands employed in the Central Railroad shops at Elizabeth have been discharged.

EMMILE KAELE and JOHN RUFF, lager-beer brewers in New-Brunswick, have been sentenced, in addition to the confiscation of their property, to pay a fine of $100 each, for defrauding the revenue by using improper stamps. [illegible] FIELD, in pronouncing the sentence, said he regretted that the Court had not the power to make the punishment more severe.

On the [illegible] the Supreme Court [illegible] the Legislature Representatives of Hudson County to procure its passage without further delay, and during the present session.

The Essex County Medical Society have adopted resolutions declaring that vaccination [illegible] is not, on their question, injurious to health, and they recommend revaccination after a period of five years.

The earnings of the New-Jersey Central Railroad for the past three years have been $[illegible], $[illegible] and $[illegible], respectively.

In the case of JAS. P. BURKE, of Newark, recently convicted of [illegible], a motion has been made for a new trial, on the ground that important testimony for the defense is forthcoming. The decision is reserved.

A young man named ROWLAND HATHEWAY, was shot dead, on Saturday, while in commercial pursuits in Cranberry, Middlesex County, as alleged, with $60,000. It is said that he forged the names of two prominent citizens of Middlesex County, and left the country.

A German Theological School has been opened in Newark, by the Evangelical Lutheran Synod, and is supported by the German population. It is thought that the General Assembly at its next meeting will make ample provision for its proper maintenance.

Rev. Mr. BROWN in opening Wednesday's session of the New-Jersey Senate, prayed fervently for the success of the Cuban cause.

Senator NIXON, of Cumberland County, is the Woman's Suffrage champion in the New-Jersey Legislature, and last year was a member of the Committee on that subject, but so far his efforts have been futile. He represents Vineland, where the fair disciples of the agitation predominate.

Yesterday a man named OWEN CALLAGHAN was arrested on a charge of assaulting Officer HARE, and rescuing a prisoner whom he had taken into custody for fighting in Jersey City.

DICKINSON COLLEGE.

Reunion of the Alumni—Dinner at the Astor House—Pleasant Speeches, Toasts and Letters.

A reunion of the Alumni of Dickinson College took place last evening at the Astor House, where an elegant dinner was provided and every preparation made for the enjoyment of the occasion. It was the first meeting of the graduates of the College in this City, and about forty persons were present, including several ladies. An agreeable and praiseworthy feature of the occasion was the presence of the ladies throughout the entire festivities. Among the more prominent of the guests were Rev. Dr. CROOKS, editor of the *Methodist*; Rev. Dr. DUNN, the first President of the College after the reorganization in 1834; Rev. Dr. DASHIELL, the present President; Rev. Dr. CHAPLAIN, editor of the *Evangelist*, Rev. Dr. JOHN LANAHAN, Rev. Dr. CHAS. F. DEEMS, General JAS. F. RUSLING and General JAMES MCCALMONT. Among the ladies were Mrs. CALDWELL, widow of one of the early Professors of the College.

After the justice had been done to the good things of the table, Rev. Dr. CROOKS, who presided, extended a cordial welcome to the guests and paid an affectionate tribute to their Alma Mater. He referred with pride to her prominent sons, who, he said, graced all professions and filled with honor many high stations in life. He made special mention of the services to the College of the venerable Dr. DUNN, who sat on his right, and who presided over the institution when it first became identified with the interests of the Methodist Church, and of Dr. DASHIELL, who now directed its destinies.

Colonel HORATIO C. KING, the Secretary of the Alumni Association, then read letters from several prominent graduates who had been invited to be present, but were compelled by other duties to send their regrets at being unable to join in the festivities, with an expression of their hearty interest in the welfare of the College. These letters were from Bishop JAMES, Rev. Dr. McClintock, Rev. Dr. JAS. A. BOLTON, President of the Randolph Macon College; Dr. R. H. Medal, and General CHAS. Albright. Dispatches were also received from the faculty and students of the College and several gentlemen in distant parts of the country. At a later stage in the proceedings Bishop JAMES entered the room, and was received with hearty demonstrations of welcome and esteem.

The first regular toast of the evening was "Our Alma Mater and its History since 1834," which was responded to by Rev. Dr. DASHIELL in a comprehensive speech, in which he alluded to the early history of the institution, as well as to its career since its reorganization. He said that it was now in a very flourishing condition, with an endowment of $[illegible], and promises of generous aid for the future from its wealthier sons. Alumni societies have already been organized in this City, Philadelphia, Baltimore, and one is soon to be formed in Washington. "The Pulpit" was responded to by Rev. Dr. J. S. WILLIS, in the absence of Bishop SIMPSON, who was unavoidably detained by other engagements.

"The Bar" was then announced, and General RUSLING was called upon to response to the toast. Among the prominent members of the profession who were Alumni of the College he particularized JOHN M. CLAYTON, JAMES BUCHANAN, ROGER B. TANEY and JOHN A. J. CRESWELL, the present Postmaster-General of the United States, who, he said, had undertaken the herculean task of cleaning the Augean stables of the Post Office Department. He then spoke of the importance of training many of the young men of the Methodist Church for the legal profession, which, he said, exerted the most powerful influence in all the great interests of society.

"The Press" was the next toast, and "Profession" was responded to by Dr. J. C. SHURTLEFF, of Brooklyn. Dr. DEEMS responded to "The Press" in a lively speech, in which he spoke of the power of newspapers as an auxiliary to all professions, and an advocate and supporter of the great movements of the day. The last regular toast, "The Wives and Daughters of Old Dickinson," was responded to by Rev. O. H. TIFFANY in a neat speech, in which he deplored his ignorance of the family relations of the doughty old Colonial Governors of Pennsylvania, but expressed his willingness to pay any honorary compliment to any other wives and daughters, if he were not departing from the requirements of his text.

The proceedings closed with remarks from Professor HINES and others, and the assembly broke up at the reasonable hour of 11 o'clock with the universal feeling that the occasion had been a pleasant and a profitable one.

A Bounty-Claim Swindler's Operations at Hunter's Point.

About a fortnight ago, E. C. HULL, a printer, residing in Hunter's Point, was arrested by the United States Marshal for forgery. Bail was at once procured, and the matter was kept a profound secret until yesterday, when the facts of the case became generally known. HULL was formerly engaged in the business of collecting soldiers' claims against the Government, and lived on Staten Island. A claim amounting to $180 was placed in his hands some time ago by a soldier named BURNEY, for collection. A check for the amount was received from the Government payable to BURNEY'S order. HULL forged BURNEY'S name on the check and sold it to Messrs. JOURNAY & CO., of New-York, brokers, who in turn sold it to WM. BREDLEY, of New-York. In the meantime, BURNEY frequently made inquiries in regard to the money, but was informed that nothing had been collected. Finally inquiries were made at Washington, and the check signed with BURNEY'S name, and also the names of the parties who successively held it, was unearthed. A Government detective began to unravel the web, and Major SEDGWICK was arrested. He paid the soldier the amount, and put an officer on the track of HULL. During the investigation it turned out that HULL was a gambler, and nightly haunted the abodes of the fraternity. A few days ago his bondsmen, getting an inkling of the true state of affairs, gave HULL up, and Commissioner JONES, for cause best known to himself, let him go on his own recognizance to appear to-day. Night before last all of HULL'S moveable property left his house, and in the morning HULL was not to be found.

Singular Results—The Poisonous Effects of Fresh Paint.

A rear tenement house, situated at No. 38 Bridge-street, was yesterday evening the scene of a tragedy of a startling and unusual character. On Wednesday a stalwart man named JOHN MCCAIRNS, and his wife, moved into a room in that building. They were last seen in their usual health at 10 o'clock on Wednesday evening, as they were not seen visible during the day on Thursday, and as no signs of their existence were apparent at 11 grew later, the neighbors feared that something must have gone wrong, and notified Officer JOHN F. CROWLEY, of the Fourteenth Ward. The man was discovered quite dead, and the woman apparently so. The room had been freshly painted, and the suffocating effect of the disengaged carbonic acid gas had worked the fatal results. The services of Dr. BOBBIN were promptly procured, and he gave it as his opinion that the woman would probably survive. Much excitement prevails in the locality.

Alleged Revenue Frauds in Brooklyn.

A case will be brought before Commissioner NEWTON, at the United States Court, to-morrow, which excites considerable interest, involving a number of well-known parties in a very questionable transaction. The accused persons are Mr. RICHARD ROWLAND, a lawyer, at No. 257 Court-street; Mr. J. HAMPDEN PERRIN, a real estate agent, and a Mr. H. B. MERRICK. It is alleged that a fraudulent mortgage, to which they were parties, had been drawn up with the view of preventing the United States revenue [illegible]

[illegible] of the Rev. JOHN MURRAY [illegible] D. D., as Dean of the Episcopal Theological Seminary, took place last evening, at the Church of the Transfiguration, Twenty-ninth-street and Fifth-avenue. The proceedings were witnessed by a large number of clergymen, the Professors and students of the Seminary, and an immense gathering of the general public. Right Rev. SAMUEL MCCOSKRY, Bishop of Michigan, presided. The religious services usual on such occasions having been performed, the Bishop addressed with the fervent fatherly feeling, by presenting him with the keys of the Seminary, remarking at the same time upon the intimacy with which his ordination was secured, and the unalloyed satisfaction it afforded all friends of the institution and Church, who were aware that in his hands they would never be disappointed. Addresses were presented to him on the part of the trustees and of the Faculty, by Rev. Wm. MONSAM, D. D., and Rev. FRANCIS VINTON, expressive of their pleasure at his election, and their acknowledgments of his varied talents which eminently fitted him for the position to which he had been elected. Rev. Mr. EVERSON, in reply, delivered an able address in review of the position of the Church, and the means to be adopted for its future welfare. The present moment, he said, was critical, and the crisis was at hand. There was a tendency manifest to destroy the existence of morality in what was deemed the light of the present century. There was confusion everywhere, and a general impression prevailed that a great crisis was at hand. Rationalism was manifesting, which were but the avowed names for infidelity, were predominant, and what was called an Ecumenical Council was now assembled for the first time for 900 years in Rome, presided over by a Bishop who arrogated to himself a power which only belonged to Heaven. Unfortunately, it has not been the Christian Church that rendered service to Christianity by preserving its unity, by possessing always in her bosom some of the devoutest spirits that ever breathed their aspirations to God; but her insatiable lust for power, her unscrupulous use of fraudulent and violent means to attain her ends, undid all of good she otherwise effected, and, by her, with her doctrines so widespread and her system so compact, she was an enemy to be carefully guarded against. But if they only continued to follow the faith they received directly from the hands of Christ, all the efforts of men would be unavailing, and in the end result in their own discomfiture. Rev. Mr. FORBES concluded with the assurance that his energies and talents would ever be devoted to the advancement of the cause to which he was now elevated. The proceedings terminated with the benediction.

Day of Prayer for Colleges.

A general meeting of Presbyterians was held yesterday afternoon, in Dr. ADAMS' Church, in Madison-square, in accordance with an ancient custom of that denomination to engage in prayer for their colleges, and for the conversion of the youth educated therein. The Church was well filled, and addresses were made by Drs. ADAMS, HASTINGS and PAXTON, and prayers were offered by Drs. HUTTON, MURRAY and JOHN HALL. Dr. HASTINGS spoke earnestly and effectively upon the duties of parents towards their children in the transition period between childhood and man and womanhood, and urged great kindness and cheerfulness of temper and disposition. Dr. PAXTON referred to the benefits to be derived from the annual prayer meeting. A revival in Yale College on Sunday, one day at this, about twenty years ago, resulted in the conversion of 50,000 souls. He could not calculate the influence that might ensue from the conversion of the 4,000,000 children in our common schools, the 50,000 young men in academies, the 50,000 in colleges and universities, and the multitudes of both sexes in medical, law and other schools, who ten or fifteen or twenty years hence will control the destinies of the Church and the nation. Dr. ADAMS made a few general remarks in opening, and Dr. HALL closed the services with prayer.

Mutiny in Gardner's Bay.

The Barkentine *Ephraim Williams*, of New-York, Captain HUFF, bound from Mobile to Boston with cotton, put into Gardner's Bay for a harbor during the gale of Friday of last week, having carried away truss head to forward. The Captain went to Orient on Saturday, and had new bands fitted, and arrived on board too late to do anything on that day. Next morning he ordered the crew to work, but four of them refused on account of its being Sunday. Monday they refused again to do anything on account of the cold, and on Tuesday they again refused, for no assignable reason. The Captain then threatened to put them in irons, but was defied by the crew. He then signaled to the United States revenue cutter *Hugh McCulloch*, which happened to be in the bay. She sent an officer and some men on board and had the men put in irons. The Captain came with the cutter to Greenpoint, but could get no assistance from the District-Attorney, who advised him to go into Boston and hand the men over to a United States Commissioner. The vessel left yesterday for Boston, after having shipped a new crew. There are stories afloat of hard treatment, but nothing definite has yet been heard from the men as to their course.

Skating Carnival at the Empire Rink.

The Empire Skating Rink, at the corner of Third-avenue and Sixty-fourth-street, was the scene of great animation and gaiety last evening, the occasion being a fancy dress and masquerade carnival given under the auspices of the Empire City Skating Club. There was a large number of ladies and gentlemen present, including several in costume. A band of music was in attendance. The ice was in superb condition, and the skating was enjoyed with lively zest. The following experts were present: Thos. A. Williams, James Meade, Larry Norton, the Martin Brothers, Jas. E. Story, A. F. Curtis, J. H. Clark, Jas. Fisher, John Fisher, Miss Hiller, Miss Hattie Rosenberg, Miss Hattie Nolton, Miss Thorpes Washing, Miss Carrie Newman, and Miss Rodgers. Messrs. Perrin, Styles, Rodgers, Ridgway, Green and Wood, of the Brooklyn Skating Club, were also present.

Affairs at the Brooklyn Navy Yard.

The gunboat *Yantic* left the Navy Yard yesterday to take in her powder at the Battery, to go from there to the West Indies on an expedition to take soundings between the different islands, for the purpose of laying a cable.

The Spanish man-of-war that was laying off the Battery, was yesterday brought over to the Navy Yard by the tug *Leviathan*, in order to get repaired thoroughly in the dry dock.

The United States steamship *Colorado* and the *Alaska* are rapidly getting ready for sea. The first goes to the West Indies and the second to China. We published lists of their officers last week.

It is said that the officers of the Brooklyn Navy Yard have invited Captain CONNERELL and the officers of H. B. M. S. *Monarch* to a grand ball and supper, to be given within the precincts of the Brooklyn Navy Yard. It is also stated that Captain CONNERELL and his officers have accepted the invitation, but without they will arrive by overland route from Annapolis, or whether the stately *Monarch* is to enter our waters, we cannot yet announce.

Seven Months in Prison.

A man named LEWIS ALDERNBURTEL was committed to Ludlow-street Jail by Commissioner OSBORN, in July last, on a charge of passing counterfeit fractional currency notes. Ever since that time he has been kept in prison awaiting a trial. The Grand Jury refused to entertain his case unless his former employer, from whom he received the counterfeit money, was produced before them. It is generally believed that he is more "sinned against than sinning." Yesterday he was released from jail on his own recognizance.

Labor Meetings Last Night.

Bricklayers' Union No. 9 held their regular weekly meeting last night. The men complain that the employers are taking advantage of the slackness in work to lower the rate of wages, but they are resolved, and in this they are supported by the Brooklyn bricklayers, to hold out for the society rates.

The Plumbers' Union met last night, and eighteen new members were proposed. They have at present 126 in good standing. The next proceeds of the ball amounted to $700.

The Clothing Cutters held their regular weekly meeting last night, and appointed a Committee on reorganization composed of twenty members ten German and ten English speaking. They have an invitation hop at the Coburg Hall tonight.

ARMY AND NAVY RECORD.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 24.—Rear-Admiral ROWAN, commanding the Asiatic Squadron, informs the Navy Department, in dispatches from Hong Kong, Jan. 4, that the health of the squadron is excellent. Naval honors were paid to the remains of late Secretary of War STANTON, ex-President PIERCE and Rear-Admiral STEWARD, and were joined in by the British, Italian, North German and American vessels in port, by half mast, minute guns, and, in the case of the honors to the memory of ex-President PIERCE, by the usual twenty-one gun salute. Rear-Admiral ROWAN and Lieutenant-Commander THOS. HOCKEN have been detached from the *Portsmouth* and ordered home. Lieutenant-Commander GEORGE BROOKE has been ordered to duty as Chief of Staff of the commanding officer of the North Atlantic Fleet.

FOREIGN MARKETS.

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LIVERPOOL, Feb. 24—4 P. M.—Cotton opened dull and closed quiet at 1 1-16d. Sales of the week [illegible] bales, including [illegible] for speculation and export, and [illegible] for consumption, [illegible] for the week, and [illegible] for speculation and export, including [illegible] American. Receipts [illegible] bales, including [illegible] American. Uplands, Orleans, Feb. 24, [illegible]. Tobacco [illegible]. Rice [illegible]. Spirits Turpentine [illegible]. Petroleum [illegible]. Tallow [illegible]. Sugar [illegible]. Rosin [illegible]. Pitch [illegible]. Linseed Oil [illegible]. Corn [illegible]. Pork [illegible]. Lard [illegible]. Bacon [illegible]. Cheese [illegible]. Tea [illegible]. Coffee [illegible]. Wheat [illegible]. Flour [illegible]. Corn [illegible]. Oats [illegible]. Barley [illegible]. Beans [illegible]. Peas [illegible]. Pork [illegible]. Lard [illegible]. Bacon [illegible]. Tallow [illegible]. Cheese [illegible]. Rosin [illegible]. Spirits Turpentine [illegible]. Petroleum [illegible]. Linseed Oil [illegible]. Sugar [illegible]. Coffee [illegible]. Tea [illegible]. Rice [illegible]. Tobacco [illegible]. Cotton